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Chapter 491: Go To Planet Pyrolyte

Lu Yin smiled when he heard Hai Qiqi's words. "Don't worry. The recording of the battle at the Sea King's Dome will be released soon, and everyone will have to believe the truth when they see it. It won't matter if I argue with them now since I won't be able to change their minds anyways."

Hai Qiqi became anxious. "I'm not talking about that! Don't you want to go to Planet Pyrolyte to prove yourself? As soon as someone records you fighting and uploads it to the net, countless people in the universe will worship you, and many gorgeous girls will fight to be with you! You just have to go to Planet Pyrolyte for all that to happen. Isn't this an easy decision for you?"

Lu Yin smiled. "No wonder you were so anxious to show me these videos."

Hai Qiqi looked at Lu Yin. "Are you tempted? There's no one there who can beat you!"

Lu Yin sighed and looked at her seriously. "I've already told you this many times. I can't place the Great Yu Empire at risk for some competition that's not even beneficial to me. I can see why you wouldn't understand, but I'm adamant in my decision to not go to Planet Pyrolyte."

Hai Qiqi gritted her teeth and walked away.

Lu Yin's gaze fell back onto the videos; was he really not going to go? Zhanlong Daynight was on Planet Pyrolyte, and Lu Yin wanted to learn the truth from him.

Suddenly, Lu Yin noticed a video title that piqued his interest: Ants Within the Cracks.

For some reason, Lu Yin clicked on this video that stood out from the sea of battle videos. The first person that he saw in the video was Xi Yue. She had been injured by Jared, and the video showed a scene of her running for her life. It was only a compilation of clips, and it wasn't a full video. Thus, the next thing that Lu Yin saw was Northgate Gang and Ah Fan vomiting blood after they were hit by a stray aftershock.

Subsequently, the video showed more and more people who had been injured or even killed during the battle. Some of them were from minor flowzones while others were disciples of the Second Grade Hall. Towards the end of the video, even the disciples of the Sword Sect and Daynight clan made it on. This video showed just how cruel the conflicts on Planet Pyrolyte were.

Lu Yin sighed. This cruel video was the harsh truth. Most people only saw glory in the battles featuring Mu Rong and the other powerhouses, and while they indeed drew the admiration of countless people, an even larger number of people had been defeated. While they might not have been taken out by direct combat, just the shockwaves alone from the other battle had been enough. They truly were ants within a crack.

This was just a conflict on Planet Pyrolyte. In terms of the greater universe's battles where the major forces clashed, the Great Yu Empire and Shenwu Continent were just ants in a crack as well.

Lu Yin was about to close the video when he suddenly saw a familiar person: Liu Xiaoyun. She had been injured by Nightqueen Yanqing. Following that short clip, he saw the silhouette of Zhuo Daynight and

blood pouring down her deathly pale face. Lu Yin was stunned. Zhuo Daynight is on Planet Pyrolyte as well?

Yan Hua, Hui Chuan, and many others were also shown, collapsed on the ground, and Lu Yin couldn't even tell whether they were dead or alive from the video. When he saw Kuang Wang falling to the ground, Lu Yin clenched his fists. Although he wasn't friends with Kuang Wang and might even become enemies in the future, Kuang Wang was still one of his peers from the Astral Combat Academy, and he was even a Realm Master. Lu Yin couldn't believe that Kuang Wang had also been included in this video, but sure enough, Kuang Wang was also an ant.

The final scene of the video showed the shockwave that had rippled out from Mu Rong's battle. A crack in the ground swallowed up dozens of people, and Lu Yin could also see that Zhuo Daynight had received further injuries.

Lu Yin fell silent when the video finished playing, his mind filled with the scene of Zhuo Daynight falling helplessly to the ground. Was she dead? Badly injured? Lu Yin couldn't get that image out of his mind, and he truly considered Zhuo Daynight as a friend. After she testified in support of him despite knowing that she would be locked up in the Daynight clan's prison as a result, he had made the decision to never leave her in the lurch.

It was such a strange feeling; were they friends? Lu Yin wasn't sure whether or not Zhuo Daynight treated him as a friend, but they were definitely linked by one bond that couldn't be denied: Zhuo Daynight held a debt that he still owed her: a promised lockbreaking.

The battles on Planet Pyrolyte have nothing to do with me. I won't go there. Lu Yin kept repeating this mantra to himself, but the scenes of Zhuo Daynight, Kuang Wang, Liu Xiaoyun, and Xi Yue falling kept replaying themselves in his mind. This was especially true for the scene with Zhuo Daynight, and Lu Yin felt as if he had been transported back to the first time he had met her, when he had accidentally injured her on that pirate's spacecraft. He kept remembering her sad gaze.

Lu Yin didn't know what was wrong with him. Why couldn't he forget the scene of Zhuo Daynight being injured or her unconscious mutterings? He became so agitated that he walked out of the King Zishan palace to look up at the sky.

He had to clear things up with Zhanlong Daynight, and he was curious about whether or not Zhuo Daynight was still alive.

He couldn't keep himself calm; should he go to Planet Pyrolyte? Or not?

He unconsciously took out his gadget and watched the video once again. He then took a deep breath and closed his eyes. Suddenly, his eyes snapped open, and he decided that, yes, he would go to Planet Pyrolyte. The contest for pyrolyte still hadn't ended, but he wasn't planning on going there to fight for anything. He would go there just to save his friends. As long as he didn't take part in the fight for pyrolyte, he wouldn't interfere with any of the major organizations. Besides, if he had Hai Qiqi ask Hai Dashao to protect the Great Yu Empire, then everything should be fine.

The most important thing to do right now was to get Hai Qiqi to ask Hai Dashao to protect the Great Yu Empire rather than the Sea King, as there was a fundamental difference.

Lu Yin considered his options for a moment and then contacted Hai Qiqi.

Hai Qiqi was busy shopping, so she ignored Lu Yin's call when she saw it. What an annoying person.

"Seventh Bro, you're going to Planet Pyrolyte?" the Ghost Monkey asked.

"How did you figure it out?" Lu Yin was curious.

The monkey replied, "I've stayed with you for such a long time, so of course I'd end up understanding how you think. You won't leave Zhuo Daynight behind, and you're the type of person to definitely help your friends if they're in trouble. Zhuo Daynight practically betrayed the Daynight clan to help you, nearly dying to help you, so you can't repay her so easily. You've saved her in the past, but you've also hurt her. Your bond with her is very complicated, so you definitely won't be able to leave her alone on that planet."

Lu Yin sighed. The monkey's words were true; he had saved her, but he had also hurt Zhuo Daynight in the past. She had also helped him, and he even owed her a debt. Besides, he held some inexplicable feelings for her as well. Was it pity? He wasn't entirely sure.

Since he had decided to go to Planet Pyrolyte, he would stop thinking about it. He once again tried to contact Hai Qiqi, but she still didn't pick up since she was still angry with him.

Lu Yin directly messaged her, "Planet Pyrolyte."

The two words did the job, and Hai Qiqi immediately rushed back to the King Zishan palace and looked at Lu Yin excitedly. "We're going to Planet Pyrolyte?'

Lu Yin looked at her sternly. "Yes, but you'll have to promise me two things."

"You're so troublesome! What do you want?" Hai Qiqi asked.

"First off, you have to ask Hai Dashao to promise to protect the Great Yu Empire. You have to make it clear that this is him personally supporting the Great Yu Empire to unify Frostwave Weave," Lu Yin replied.

Hai Qiqi was confused. "My brother? I can just ask my father for that."

Lu Yin shook his head. "No, it can't be the Sea King. It has to be Hai Dashao."

"Hey, are you stupid? Although my brother is seventh in the Top 100 Rankings, he still can't represent the Sea King's Dome. Even if he promises to support the Great Yu Empire, the Daynight clan and the other major forces won't feel threatened by his words. You won't be able to stop them with just that," Hai Qiqi explained.

"That's enough," Lu Yin replied confidently.

Hai Qiqi paused for a moment. "Fine, I'll ask my brother to publicly announce his support for the Great Yu Empire to unify Frostwave Weave under his own name so that it won't be put under the Sea King's Dome. My father doesn't allow us to interfere with battles in the Outerverse anyways." Lu Yin nodded. He just wanted the other forces to be slightly intimidated by the Sea King's Dome when they tried to move against him. Even though Hai Dashao couldn't completely represent the Sea King's Dome, he was still the Sea King's son, and nobody would dare to ignore him. As long as Lu Yin didn't interfere in the major forces' interests, the backing of Hai Dashao alone would be sufficient to protect the Great Yu Empire.

Lu Yin was heading to the planet to save someone, not to fight for pyrolyte ore.

"Alright. The second thing is that you must follow me the entire time and that you can't wander off on your own," Lu Yin said firmly.

Hai Qiqi frowned and only reluctantly agreed, "Is that all? Then I'm going to contact my brother now."

Lu Yin nodded.

Hai Qiqi soon put down her gadget and signaled him that everything had gone well.

Lu Yin breathed a sigh of relief. Initially, he had been worried that the Sea King would refuse since Hai Dashao had mentioned that they wanted pyrolyte ore as a betrothal gift. This meant that the Sea King's Dome also needed pyrolyte ore. However, it seemed that the Sea King's Dome wasn't in desperate need for pyrolyte, so Lu Yin wouldn't be forced to fight for it.

For now, he just needed to wait for Hai Dashao to publicly announce his support for the Great Yu Empire. While waiting, Lu Yin planned to use Northline Flowzone to get to Planet Pyrolyte without attracting the attention of the Daynight clan or the Sword Sect.

Most of the people from Northline Flowzone were in the Astral Wilderness, so Lu Yin wasn't able to contact Lily Anne. However, he was able to use the Ten Arbiters' subnetwork to contact the person in charge of Shangwu Academy, which was located in Northline Flowzone, and then ask that person to contact the Lily family.

Everything would take some time to come together, but Lu Yin was confident that as soon as the Lily family knew that he wanted to go to Planet Pyrolyte with them, they would definitely agree.

There was no point for him to wait around on Zenyu Star at this point, so he left some orders for Huo Qingshan and took off towards Northcastle Weave with Hai Qiqi.

Hai Dashao acted very quickly, and his announcement of support garnered a lot of attention, ensuring that the news would be quickly passed on to the various major powers.

Once the major organizations saw Hai Dashao announce his support for the Great Yu Empire, some of them guessed that Lu Yin was heading to Planet Pyrolyte. Of course, not everyone would come to that conclusion. If the Sea King had been the one who had made the promise, then everyone would know for sure that Lu Yin was heading towards Planet Pyrolyte.

Hai Dashao alone wouldn't be enough to withstand the rage of the major forces if Lu Yin harmed their interests. Although the major forces were wary of the Sea King, they weren't actually afraid of him, and Hai Dashao was just the Sea King's son. Thus, they wouldn't be very apprehensive of him.

Hai Dashao could only demonstrate Sea King's Dome's position and try his best to protect the Great Yu Empire.

With the speed of the Aurora, Lu Yin only needed a few hours to reach the border between Frostwave Weave and Northcastle Weave. Right when Lu Yin arrived at the border of Frostwave Weave, Lily Anne contacted him.

"Brother Lu, I heard that you were looking for me." Lily Anne looked at Lu Yin through the screen with clear excitement in her eyes. Northline Flowzone had been horribly suppressed over the past few months, and most of the pyrolyte ore that they had obtained had been stolen by the other forces. Their partnership with other minor flowzones hadn't gone smoothly either, so if Lu Yin was willing to join them, then it would make everything a lot easier.

Chapter 492: Entrance

Lu Yin earnestly replied, "Miss An'er, I would like to use your help to secretly get to Planet Pyrolyte."

Lily Anne was surprised. "Secretly?"

Lu Yin nodded. "I need to save a friend, and I'm not interested in fighting for pyrolyte. If Northline Flowzone is willing to help me, then I will also do my best to protect your people. Of course, if you are not willing, then you can just pretend that this conversation never happened."

Lily Anne quickly answered, "Of course we'll help. Since Brother Lu has asked, then Northline Flowzone is definitely willing to help. Please just wait for a moment."

Lu Yin nodded and ended the call.

He wasn't surprised to hear that Lily Anne was willing to help. After all, he had promised that he would try to protect Northline Flowzone's people. Just that would be a huge help to Northline Flowzone, and it would be a simple task for them to bring him along to Planet Pyrolyte, so they would definitely agree.

A map was soon sent to Lu Yin. His eyes lit up, and he immediately rerouted his spacecraft to follow the new route towards Planet Pyrolyte. As soon as he neared Planet Pyrolyte, someone from Northline Flowzone would be waiting for him and help him land on Planet Pyrolyte along with some of Northline Flowzone's Limiteers. This would allow him to avoid attracting any unwanted attention to himself.

Hunters and Enlighters could use their star energy to observe everyone near them. However, since there was an Enlighter, Granny Chan, within the group from Northline Flowzone, the other Enlighters would not monitor Northline Flowzone's vessels out of respect towards her. This was also the reason why Lu Yin had chosen Northline Flowzone to help him, as any organization that didn't have an Enlighter wouldn't be able to guarantee his anonymity.

Hai Qiqi was very excited now that she was finally able to go out and have some fun. Many powerhouses from the younger generation had gathered at Planet Pyrolyte, so this would definitely be a fun trip, and she was very happy about it.

Lu Yin glanced at Hai Qiqi and frowned. "You're not planning on fighting while on Planet Pyrolyte, right?"

Hai Qiqi rolled her eyes at Lu Yin. "You're such a brute! Of course I won't fight with anyone. I, Sister Qi, like to overcome people with virtue."

"Why do you call yourself 'Sister Qi?" Lu Yin had wanted to ask her this question for a long time.

Lu Yin calculated that it would take them one more day to pass through Northcastle Weave and arrive at Planet Pyrolyte in the Astral Wilderness. He planned to use this time to rest and make sure that his condition was at its peak.

Hai Qiqi answered without hesitation, "My name is Hai Qiqi, so of course I'd be called Sister Qi. Do you have some problem with that?"

"A lot of people call me Seventh Bro as well," Lu Yin calmly informed her.

But Hai Qiqi didn't like his response. "No, you can't be on the same level as me. From now on, you will be Eighth Bro."

Lu Yin was rendered speechless, but then he remembered how the Sea King had changed his name during their first meeting. These two were truly father and daughter.

"Eighth Brother! Hahahahah, Eighth Brother! That's so funny!" The monkey laughed uncontrollably.

Lu Yin narrowed his eyes and started retracting the star energy from his right arm. The monkey immediately started apologizing and swearing that he would stop talking about the new name as long as Lu Yin didn't screen him off again.

"How did you convince Hai Dashao to support the Great Yu Empire?' Lu Yin asked.

Hai Qiqi smiled wickedly. "I know a lot of his secrets, so I can get him to do anything I want by threatening him."

Lu Yin nodded, completely believing her. Hai Qiqi seemed to be skilled in this area.

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The Astral Wilderness was a strange part of the universe that remained extremely mysterious to most people. However, to Lu Yin, it wasn't any more special than the Innerverse or the Outerverse. The space there was still just as dark as anywhere else, and the only difference seemed to be that he couldn't use his gadget in this place. When he entered the Astral Wilderness, it felt as if technology had regressed by tens of thousands of years.

An astral beast soon flew past their spacecraft with gigantic, flaming wings. The sight of the beast stirred Hai Qiqi into an excited frenzy as she held a special interest in flying astral beasts.

Lu Yin's expression grew serious; anything could appear in this unexplored region of the universe. He still hadn't forgotten about the enormous centipede corpse that had appeared in Northline Flowzone. That thing could have crushed him to pieces with just a random twitch.

However, since Northline Flowzone had provided him with this route, it should be relatively safe.

Lu Yin's guess was right, as this was actually the route that had been taken by Granny Chan when she had first traveled to Planet Pyrolyte. She had eliminated anything dangerous along this route, so there was nothing along the way that had a power level of even 10,000.

Such routes were extremely valuable to major powers, and they had paid a price by giving it to Lu Yin. Now, they needed to wait and see if Lu Yin was worth the price. Lu Yin gazed into the distance and knew that they were approaching Planet Pyrolyte.

Planet Pyrolyte was like a piece of delicious cake that had attracted the attention of all the major organizations. When Lu Yin saw Planet Pyrolyte, he also saw numerous spacecraft of various shapes and sizes surrounding it. The most easily recognizable one was the Sword Sect's extremely impressive sword-shaped battleship. Apart from that, the spacecraft from the Daynight clan and the Souldream Tribe were also unique and stood out from the rest.

Lu Yin wasn't intercepted by anyone and managed to enter Northline Flowzone's spacecraft without issue.

With Granny Chan present, no Enlighter would dare to monitor this part of space, and thus, no one knew that Lu Yin had arrived.

Lily Anne was very excited that Lu Yin had arrived, and even Granny Chan went to meet him personally. This truly impressed upon Lu Yin the importance of pyrolite. He humbly greeted Granny Chan. "Lu Yin pays his respects to Granny Chan."

Granny Chan looked at Lu Yin with satisfaction. "You don't have to be so polite, as this isn't our first time meeting."

Lu Yin glanced at Lily Anne, who was standing behind Granny Chan, and nodded. "I did meet you once when I represented the Ten Arbiters's Council as a witness for the competition at the Northline Platform. You look as graceful as ever."

Granny Chan smiled. "You have a smooth tongue. Was the journey here peaceful?"

Lu Yin answered, "It was very peaceful, thank you for asking."

Granny Chan looked towards Hai Qiqi, who was standing behind Lu Yin, but she didn't ask about her. Northline Flowzone was a minor force and didn't have access to as much information as the Daynight clan or the Sword Sect. Thus, they didn't know much about the Sea King's Dome. Moreover, Hai Qiqi was wearing clothing from the Zenyu Star, so it was normal that Granny Chan couldn't recognize the young woman.

Back when they were on Zenyu Star, Karthika had only recognized Hai Qiqi because of the emblem on the spacecraft. However, he had not exposed her presence.

Lily Anne had met Hai Qiqi before, and she also knew that this girl was the Sea King's daughter, but she wasn't planning on informing Granny Chan.

Hai Qiqi didn't care much about Granny Chan. The woman was merely an Enlighter, and there were lots of those under her father. Thus, this person was nothing special in her eyes.

Granny Chan soon left, leaving Lily Anne to entertain Lu Yin.

Lu Yin heaved a sigh of relief once the older woman left. He didn't like the feeling of being so close to someone who could kill him at any time, even though the woman held no bad feelings towards him.

"Brother Lu, it must have been a tiring journey for you. Let me take you somewhere to get some rest," Lily Anne offered.

Lu Yin shook his head. "It wasn't tiring at all. I was just on a spacecraft."

"Yeah, it wasn't tiring at all. Hurry up and send us to Planet Pyrolyte!" Hai Qiqi spoke anxiously as she was truly looking forward to going down to Planet Pyrolyte.

Lily Anne glanced at Hai Qiqi. She wasn't planning on exposing the girl's status as the Sea King's daughter. After all, as soon as the girl's status was publicized, Northline Flowzone would be responsible for her safety, which was a tremendous burden, especially because of this girl's quirks.

Lily Anne also didn't plan on forming any sort of bond with Hai Qiqi. She had already learned that it would be useless to suck up to Hai Qiqi when she first met her. Instead, the best option was just to treat the girl normally.

"Brother Lu, all of the resources have already been prepared for you. Are you going to head down to Planet Pyrolyte now?" Lily Anne asked.

Lu Yin nodded before Lily Anne ordered some people to store some food and water in a cosmic ring which she then passed to Lu Yin. She then escorted Lu Yin to a hangar with many personal spacecraft where there were already some people waiting.

Lu Yin changed his appearance and also made Hai Qiqi change her appearance. They then each boarded a personal spacecraft and programmed their landing site. Lu Yin looked up as the spacecraft vibrated. In the end, he had still come to Planet Pyrolyte, the stage that had been set up for geniuses.

Hai Qiqi was excited; she had been waiting for this moment for a long time. She wanted her name to become renowned throughout the universe and surpass her brother. She didn't care that Lu Yin had told her not to reveal her identity, as her main goal was to become famous.

One by one, the personal spacecraft flew out from Northline Flowzone's spacecraft and headed down towards Planet Pyrolyte. At the same time, there were other spacecraft from the other major powers that were preparing to enter the planet as well. There was a countless number of Limiteers descending onto Planet Pyrolyte at all times. It was as if the place had become a massive furnace that tempered all the Limiteers.

Some distance away, Nightqueen Qiuyu felt disdainful towards the Limiteers who were being sent down. Since there were elite powerhouses already present down below, any number of average Limiteers would be useless against them. She didn't care about the number of cultivators that Northline Flowzone sent down, as those cultivators were just being sent to their deaths. She paused a moment and then looked away.

The Sword Sect and the Wen family similarly didn't care about the people who were being sent down by the minor powers. However, none of them could have imagined that there was a genius currently hidden in this batch.

On Planet Pyrolyte, there was a mountain range protruding from the ground that lay quite some distance from Pyrolyte Mountain. These peaks were only about a hundred meters high, and the range didn't cover a large region either. Despite this, there were still hundreds of Limiteers fighting over this

location. This was because this mountain range contained a small amount of pyrolyte ore, but it was nonetheless still enough to attract Limiteers from the minor flowzones.

The major forces weren't interested in such a place, so the minor forces were left to fight over it.

Northgate Gang, Ah Fan, and the other Limiteers from Northline Flowzone were currently fighting for control of this mountain range.

Both Northgate Gang and Ah Fan had been injured, but they couldn't even retreat since they were surrounded by enemies. A girl from Northline Flowzone screamed as she collapsed to the ground. A blade flashed, and she looked at the descending blade in despair. But right before the blade reached her, a weapon that looked like a knife appeared to block it, the vibrations from the impact shoving the girl into the ground. She vomited blood and then looked at the person who had saved her; it was Ah Fan.

Ah Fan panted heavily as he attacked the man in front of him. The man sneered and someone else jumped out from behind him, slashing at Ah Fan. At the same time, two-lined battle force erupted around the attacker, causing the girl to scream, "Be careful!"

Ah Fan gritted his teeth, but he managed to block the surprise attack. However, his abdomen was slashed open by the first person, which caused him to double over.

Northgate Gang, who was nearby, cursed at Ah Fan for bothering to help someone else. He had initially planned on fighting his way out of the encirclement with Ah Fan, but his plan had been thwarted now that Ah Fan had become heavily injured.

Battles were taking place everywhere, and Northgate Gang tried to escape by himself using his Phantom Disc, but he was pushed back into the fray once again. Another group of Limiteers had joined the fight, and shockwaves were exploding from every direction.

Bang bang bang!

Multiple personal spacecraft landed in the area around the mountain range, and two of them had landed right where the most intense fight was taking place.

"Sister Qi" can also mean "Sister Seventh."

Chapter 493: Overwhelming Power

More than ten attacks swept across the sky, almost causing the two spacecraft to crash. "Are you trying to die? You actually dare to land right in the middle of a battlefield? Do you think that you are Ling Que?"

Ah Fan gritted his teeth and blood dripped from the corners of his lip as he fell to the ground and onto the clothes of the girl he was protecting. The girl was in despair; she knew that she was about to die. If she had known that it would be like this, she would not have come and would have instead stayed at Shangwu Academy for a bit longer.

She looked at Ah Fan who was protecting her. She had actually mocked him for losing their academy's only teleportation stone, and yet, when they were at the end of their rope, he was the only person

protecting her. Life was unpredictable, and if she didn't die at this place, she swore to pay him back for this protection.

The numerous attacks actually didn't destroy the two spacecraft, and one of spacecraft's hatches opened while the vessel was still in midair. A youth appeared, and he easily received all of the attacks himself in order to allow the second spacecraft to land safely.

Across the mountain range, many of the people were surprised to see one person handle so many attacks on his own. He was clearly very powerful, but that would just invite misfortune upon him. In chaotic battlefields like these, everyone would target the most powerful participants.

Lu Yin stood firm atop the mountain range and looked at the dark-red soil. There were no plants in this area, but he had been surrounded by a bunch of red-eyed Limiteers who immediately began attacking him without exchanging any words.

He looked around and decided that he shouldn't put on too impressive of a performance. Thus, he used only his Shockwave Palm and Spacerender Palm techniques, which were two battle techniques that he had learned on Earth. Neither of them required any star energy, so they were very appropriate for a planet that was completely devoid of star energy like Planet Pyrolyte.

He raised a hand: Spacerender Palm.

With a bang, the closest Limiteer to Lu Yin was sent flying back as the armor on his body shattered to pieces. Blood burst forth from the Limiteer's mouth, but he was already dead.

This scene shocked all of the surrounding people, and everyone's movements turned sluggish at that moment.

Lu Yin grinned; that attack had still been too strong, so he needed to tone it down even more!

At this point, the hatch of the other spacecraft opened, and Hai Qiqi excitedly rushed out while wielding a blade. She let out a shout as her figure flitted about the battlefield. She easily dodged the attacks aimed at her, but after evading one she patted her chest and glared at an attacker. "Stupid black bear, that was too scary!"

The man who had hacked at Hai Qiqi was the same one who had severely injured Ah Fan. Hai Qiqi had coincidentally landed nearby, and the crater caused by the spacecraft's crash landing had almost reached Ah Fan's feet.

"Stupid brat, you're looking to die!" The man raised his blade and slashed at her again while another man behind him attacked Ah Fan.

Hai Qiqi's eyes turned sharp when she glanced at Ah Fan and the girl he was protecting. In an instant, she understood what was going on; there was a pitiful couple here at death's door. As the benevolent princess of the Sea King's Dome, Hai Qiqi believed that she carried the responsibility to protect such beautiful relationships.

The man's blade only struck air; Hai Qiqi had disappeared from in front of him.

Behind them, Ah Fan had closed his eyes in despair. But instead of death, he was met with a mocking voice. "Hey! You should be hugging your wife before you die. What's this supposed to be?"

Ah Fan's eyes went wide, and he looked at Hai Qiqi. Wife? He was completely confused.

The cultivator with two-lined battle force collapsed in the distance, and Ah Fan's eyes went even wider, as he could not understand how Hai Qiqi had done such a thing.

At this moment, the man who had attacked Hai Qiqi simply turned around and fled. Ah Fan might not have seen what had happened, but this man had, which was why he immediately tried to escape. He knew that he was not this woman's opponent; she was just too scary! He hadn't even clearly seen how fast she had moved! She had to be the heir of some great power.

Lu Yin watched on from a distance, but then he withdrew his gaze. It seemed that there was no need to worry about Hai Qiqi. With her strength, she was no slower than him when he used Flash Step. Her safety was basically guaranteed through just her speed alone, so long as she didn't encounter anyone on Mu Rong's level.

Many people around Lu Yin exchanged glances as they felt that he was distracted. Then, they attacked in unison. Lu Yin finally acted, and he moved both of his arms. The people surrounding him were only able to see phantom images of his two arms, and each one of them was blown away by an irresistible force. The area within a hundred meters of Lu Yin had been instantly cleared out, which showed just how impressive his strength was. Still, it wasn't completely overwhelming since there were a few people who didn't die from his attack. It seemed like his speed was astounding, but the power behind his attacks was not quite as high.

However, to these Limiteers from the smaller flowzones, his attacks were already overwhelming. Many instinctively backed away.

"Where are those from Northline Flowzone?" Lu Yin shouted.

Northgate Gang was just about to escape when he heard Lu Yin's words, which caused his eyes to brighten. "Here! We're here!"

Lu Yin turned around and saw Northgate Gang, which caused him to involuntarily frown. This person was detestable.

When Northgate Gang saw Lu Yin frown, his heart skipped a beat. Not good, is he not an expert who was sent by Northline Flowzone? Could he have some kind of grudge against us?

Northgate Gang's knees bent as he prepared to use his fastest speed to escape, but Lu Yin's next words made his apprehension disappear.

"This mountain range will now belong to Northline Flowzone. Everyone else can leave now," Lu Yin announced in a loud voice. He would not touch any of the areas considered important by the great powers, but the fact that this small mountain range had been contested by Northline Flowzone indicated that the major organizations did not care about it. Lu Yin did not mind helping Northline Flowzone control such an inconsequential area, and it could be considered as him repaying the favor to them. With this, he would be able to leave and search for Zhuo Daynight.

Northgate Gang was delighted. "Thank you for your help, brother."

Lu Yin could not be bothered with him.

The people around exchanged glances, and some were even unresigned to this change. However, when they recalled the speed of Lu Yin's attack, they felt forced to retreat, especially since they had clearly seen that he had only used Shockwave Palm and had not displayed any battle techniques. This meant that Lu Yin had not used all of his strength yet, and it was not worth it to confront such a person for this place that only had a small amount of pyrolyte.

After they thought things through, the gathered people left one after another. Soon, only Lu Yin's group remained at the mountain range.

The crowd from Northline Flowzone cheered as Ah Fan collapsed onto the ground. The girl who he had protected offered him some water out of appreciation, and Ah Fan took it and drank a mouthful.

Hai Qiqi was unsatisfied, and she glared at Ah Fan. "Hey, your wife's injured! Shouldn't you treat her?"

Hai Qiqi's words confused Ah Fan once again, while the girl's face flushed red as she wanted to explain. However, her injury was still bothering her, and it was so excruciating that it caused her face to go pale.

Ah Fan took out an especially effective medicine from Shamrock Enterprises and passed it over to the girl, who lowered her head. "Thank you, and I'm sorry."

Ah Fan calmly turned back around and sipped at his water.

Hai Qiqi looked at the two of them. "What a weird couple."

She then turned towards Lu Yin and ran over to him.

Northgate Gang also ran towards Lu Yin, and he was about to speak, but he was cut off by Hai Qiqi. "Luno. Hey, Eighth Bro, let's look for the rest!"

Northgate Gang was stumped. Eighth Bro?

Lu Yin's eyelids twitched, and he stared menacingly at Hai Qiqi. "I'm Seventh Bro, or Brother Lu. Don't call me that ever again, or you can forget about leaving this mountain range."

Hai Qiqi wanted to retort, but then she thought better of it and pouted instead. "Alright, Seventh. Hmph!"

Lu Yin couldn't find any words to reply.

Northgate Gang finally had the opportunity to speak. "How may I address this brother?"

Lu Yin casually replied, "You can call me Seventh Bro."

Northgate Gang was stumped. How disrespectful.

"That, brother, may I ask if it was Granny Chan who invited you to help us?" Northgate Gang probed.

Lu Yin nodded and then surveyed the area. "This mountain range now belongs to Northline Flowzone, so you can start to mine the ore. I'll supervise here for a day before leaving."

Northgate Gang was surprised. "Leave? Does brother want to help others?"

"That's none of your business. Just tend to your own affairs." Lu Yin then turned to leave.

Northgate Gang was angry, but he smothered his emotions. He didn't dare show his anger since it was clear that this person was much stronger than him.

Soon, everyone from Northline Flowzone finished treating themselves, and those who were less injured started to mine the pyrolyte ore.

Northgate Gang was not happy, so he vented his anger on the others, especially Ah Fan. If it hadn't been for this person's foolish mistake, then Northgate Gang would have been able to escape from the battle instead of nearly losing his life in this place. Hence, he found Ah Fan exceptionally odious right now, and despite knowing that Ah Fan's condition was quite severe, Northgate Gang still made him start mining.

The group from Northline Flowzone all treated Northgate Gang as their leader, and every action was dictated by him. Ah Fan could only obey, or else he would be reprimanded, while the girl whom Ah Fan had rescued looked on with worry.

Hai Qiqi finally could not take it anymore. "Thumbtack! Hey, thumbtack!"

The crowd turned towards Hai Qiqi as one, as they did not know who she was calling out to.

Northgate Gang also looked over, only to see that Hai Qiqi was staring directly at him. He looked to both sides of himself, as he was completely lost.

Hai Qiqi grew impatient. "What are you looking for? Stop looking for someone else. Don't you realize that you look like a thumbtack? I'm talking to you!"

Northgate Gang was furious. "Who are you? How dare you embarrass me?"

Hai Qiqi rolled her eyes. "Who's humiliating you? I don't know your name, so I only called you 'thumbtack' because you look like one. What's wrong?"

The crowd around them desperately stifled their laughter.

The fury in Northgate Gang's heart roared, but he apprehensively looked towards Lu Yin in the distance, and subdued his wrath. "I'm Northgate Gang."

"Don't care." Hai Qiqi rolled her eyes in response.

Northgate Gang's face twisted. "What's the problem?"

Hai Qiqi pursed her lips. "Nothing. Just watching you play around and act like the boss."

Northgate Gang was about to open his mouth and berate her, but he forcefully endured her words. He snorted and turned to leave, but he no longer forced Ah Fan to mine.

Ah Fan's body trembled as he leaned against the mountainside, and the girl he had rescued hurried over to support him. She looked appreciatively at Hai Qiqi and smiled.

Hai Qiqi just shrugged.

Lu Yin turned away from the scene. The brat had a good heart. Lu Yin had also wanted to help Ah Fan, but Hai Qiqi had moved first. However, Ah Fan was supposed to be at San Dios, yet he had shown up at this place. It seemed that pyrolyte was extremely important.

Lu Yin did not know if Zhuo Daynight was alive or where she might be if she was. Thus, he was not in a hurry to look for her. Instead, he tried to learn about where Pyrolyte Mountain was located so that he could head in that direction and search for some clues and perhaps conveniently repay his debt. It wouldn't be easy to find Zhuo Daynight, so there was no need to rush things.

Perhaps he should first look for the Daynight clan.

Over the course of a single day, there were quite a few organizations that attempted to seize the mountain range, but they were all repelled. The area didn't hold very much pyrolyte ore, so after those minor powers were repelled, it became unlikely for anyone else to come and try to take control of the mountain range.

Lu Yin's performance had intimidated all the smaller organizations away.

One day later, Lu Yin took Hai Qiqi with him, and they left under the complicated gazes of Northgate Gang and the others.

Northgate Gang hated the two of them, but he was also forced to rely on them. Now that they had left, he could only hope that no strong opponents would appear.

Lu Yin had verified the location of Pyrolyte Mountain, and it would take him a few days of travel to reach it from his current position. He took Hai Qiqi along with him, and he also asked Northgate Gang for a pyrolyte detector.

Some days later, Pyrolyte Mountain finally became visible. Lu Yin wanted to avoid being discovered by Mu Rong, so he did not get too close to the mountain. Instead, he maintained a certain distance as he circled around the mountain one time, but he was not able to find Zhuo Daynight.

He believed that she would not be hiding in an area where Mu Rong's domain could detect her, as if she had, she would already be dead.

Chapter 494: Punishing Enemies

Lu Yin's mood fell, and his emotions became more complex. He hoped that Zhuo Daynight had not died, as he had come to this planet specifically to save her.

"Hey, look! There are so many shooting stars," Hai Qiqi shouted as she pointed at the sky.

Lu Yin looked up, only to see not shooting stars but instead numerous spacecraft, about a hundred in total, and they were all headed in the same direction. There were only two possibilities for such a scenario: they were either all from the same organization, or another massive amount of pyrolyte ore had been discovered, and all of the major powers were sending reinforcements to that area.

Lu Yin's eyes flashed. "Alright, let's go."

Hai Qiqi grunted, but she followed Lu Yin towards where all the spacecraft were headed.

The landing site of the vessels did not appear to be too far away, but it was actually a great distance. It was even further away than the distance between Northline Flowzone's mountain range and Pyrolyte Mountain.

Lu Yin and Hai Qiqi held star essence in their hands as they flew so that they could recover star energy while they moved.

Only a select few could use star essence to recover star energy, as the majority were forced to use star crystals, even those like Northgate Gang. This was enough to show that he was not on the same level as Lu Yin.

As they travelled, Lu Yin and Hai Qiqi encountered more groups of Limiteers. Some groups only had three to five members, while the larger groups consisted of dozens of people. Everyone was headed in the same direction, and this confirmed Lu Yin's suspicions that there was something incredible at their destination.

There was another discovery that Lu Yin did not know if he should feel sorrowful or sympathetic about; there were Limiteers who had been taken and forced to become mounts.

Planet Pyrolyte had no star energy, and flying constantly consumed one's star energy. For some, using star crystals to replenish their used energy was too exorbitant, so they had found human mounts. Just as the name implied, they used human cultivators as mounts with the rider sitting on top as they flew.

At this moment, Lu Yin saw a bunch of people riding human mounts.

Hai Qiqi looked over in surprise, as it was her first time seeing such a thing. There was a sliver of incomprehension on her face as well, since she was looking at human mounts, which was insanely humiliating. There were also various powerful organizations above the planet observing everything. If it were Hai Qiqi, she would rather die than be treated as a mount, and yet, she saw an entire group of such people right now.

"Why would this happen? Even if it's to save their lives, when they leave Planet Pyrolyte, these people might still be eliminated by their own organizations," Hai Qiqi wondered, as she could not comprehend such a thing. The two of them watched the approaching human mounts, as well as the Limiteers riding them.

Lu Yin faintly replied, "Death is certain, but this way, they can at least live for a while longer, and they might even encounter an opportunity to live."

Hai Qiqi turned to Lu Yin. "But don't they value their dignity?"

Lu Yin smiled. "I've told you this before. You've lived a noble's life since birth, so you will never understand how scary the bottom can be. Death is a very distant concept for you. You can only see it as an idea and will find it difficult to accept it as a necessary part of life since your father has protected you for your whole life. If you lost your status, you might also experience the desolation and sorrow that come with impending death."

Hai Qiqi frowned, remembering the first time she had seen Lu Yin destroy a spacecraft and how those many deaths had affected her. Still, she was an adult, and she could accept such things and had quickly

recovered. However, these human mounts were something that she could not understand. What was more important—dignity or life?

Lu Yin and Hai Qiqi streaked past the mounts, and Hai Qiqi took another glance to observe the human mounts' expressions, and she discovered that although they appeared lifeless, their faces still held a trace of unwillingness and expectation. They clearly knew that death awaited them, but they kept holding on to a longing for the future. These people had chosen life and had abandoned their dignity.

Hai Qiqi did not know if they had chosen correctly, but she had no right to judge them since it was their own lives and not hers.

She turned back around and took a deep breath. She intended to forget that expression. Suddenly, a blazing inferno swept through the sky and formed a fiery wall that blocked Lu Yin and Hai Qiqi's path.

The two stopped, and they turned around to stare in the direction of the human mounts as that was where the inferno originated from.

The human mounts surrounded Lu Yin and Hai Qiqi, and one mount flew out from the center. Seated atop the enslaved Limiteer was one of Lu Yin's old acquaintances, Jared.

"Either become a human mount or die. You guys choose," Jared declared in a low tone as he stared at Lu Yin and Hai Qiqi. They had not been travelling quickly, so they had been mistaken for weaklings.

Hai Qiqi was caught off guard. These people wanted to force her to become a human mount?

"How audacious!" Hai Qiqi involuntarily shouted.

Jared raised his brows. "Then you're dead."

Lu Yin frowned. He had sensed Jared beforehand, but he had not bothered with him as he did not want to become more entangled with the Blaze Realm. Lu Yin had not expected Jared to take a fancy to the two of them, but he had no reason to be polite, so he didn't waste his breath.

Lu Yin raised a hand and unleashed a Spacerender Palm at Jared. The air trembled, and a transparent shockwave swept through the air.

Jared's eyes went wide when he felt the approaching pressure. Not good! This person was an absolute powerhouse! Jared dodged as quickly as he could, but he was still too slow. His right shoulder was crushed by the Spacerender Palm's shockwave as it swept by. The human mount beneath him was flung down to the ground, and there was no doubt that the person was about to die.

Lu Yin felt no sympathy, as this was the cruelty of the universe. Sympathy could not be exchanged for a person's dignity, so Lu Yin would simply speed up this person's approach to the end of his path!

The Blaze Realm people surrounding Lu Yin and Hai Qiqi all attacked in unison, but Jared barked out, "Stop!"

That one Spacerender Palm had been enough for him to realize the disparity between his group and this person. This person was definitely an elite Limiteer and someone whose strength had reached one of the Astral Combat Academy's Realm Masters. This was not someone who they could deal with.

Lu Yin grabbed Hai Qiqi and streaked past the cultivators from Blaze Realm, only to appear in front of Jared. Jared's pupils shrank. "It was my mistake. We'll leave now."

However, Lu Yin did not intend to let these people go. Before, when they had been in the giant centipede's corpse, Lu Yin had wanted to take out Jared, but events had unfolded in such a way that he had never gotten the opportunity to do so. However, now, there was no reason to let this person go. Jared was not the Blaze Realm's only heir, as he did not possess enough qualifications. Killing Jared would not place any burden on Lu Yin since the Blaze Realm would not be able to do anything even if they did find out that Lu Yin was the killer. As long as Lu Yin did not encounter a terrifying power like the Daynight clan, Hai Dashao's reputation would be enough to protect him. Thus, Lu Yin did not care about the Blaze Realm at all.

There was a bang, and Jared spat out a mouthful of blood. He wasn't even able to use any of his battle techniques as his organs had already been destroyed. He couldn't believe what had just happened; how could the disparity between them be so vast?

Lu Yin leaned towards Jared. "Die in peace."

Jared's eyes changed, as the voice was obviously Lu Yin's. Jared's finger trembled. It was no wonder why the disparity between them was so great, as he had encountered the strongest Limiteer in the universe. Unfortunately, Jared couldn't even make a sound as his body crashed onto the ground below.

The nearby Blaze Realm group was stunned. The strongest out of them all, Jared, had not even been able to retaliate before dying. Who the heck was this guy?

Jared's strength was only above average compared to other Limiteer geniuses, as there were many that surpassed him, and quite a few could even kill him instantly. Lu Yin was not afraid that his identity would be revealed because of Jared's death.

At this moment, no one dared to try and stop Lu Yin. He was just about to leave with Hai Qiqi when he suddenly felt his heart palpitate. He looked down at Jared's corpse to see that it was being burned by an unknown flame. He suddenly thought of the Karmic Flame Sword battle technique. Jared's body actually contained that ancient flame.

There was a whoosh as a ferocious and terrifying conflagration tore up towards the sky even as it burned the ground. Jared's corpse completely disappeared as the karmic flames covered the ground.

Lu Yin felt it was a pity, as he would have tried to retrieve the karmic flame within his body if he had known about it. What a waste.

Hai Qiqi was astonished. "What a powerful flame! How did he have such a strong flame?"

Lu Yin did not bother explaining and simply took Hai Qiqi away.

Around them, the cultivators from Blaze Realm were lost, as they did not know where to go now.

In the Blaze Realm's spacecraft that was hovering in space above Planet Pyrolyte, Huo Houye was furious. The strength that the Blaze Realm possessed on Planet Pyrolyte had not been very impressive to begin with, and it had only become more frail with Jared's death. Huo Houye did not care about Jared's

death, but his death meant that the Blaze Realm had lost a bit more of the karmic flame, which was extremely painful. The Blaze Realm did not have much of that flame left, and every loss was a pity.

"Has she not arrived yet?" Huo Houye asked sternly.

A Blaze Realm disciple answered in a trembling voice, "Soon. She's already in the Outerverse."

Huo Houye's eyes narrowed. "It's about time to reveal her identity. It's not that my Blaze Realm does not possess any outstanding disciples."

The occasional spacecraft continued to drop down from outer space and land in the distance. When Lu Yin brought Hai Qiqi away from the Blaze Realm disciples, the air was faintly reeking of blood, and murderous shouts could be vaguely made out in the distance.

Those who qualified to participate in the contest on Planet Pyrolyte were all Limiteer elites. Even if they weren't that powerful, they were still people who were considered experts in the various organizations of the smaller flowzones. Though there weren't many people here, the entire area had been turned into a battlefield, which went to show how attractive the pyrolyte in this place was.

This area was not part of a mountain range. Rather, it was one of the extremely rarely seen lakes on Planet Pyrolyte. It was a red lake.

Hai Qiqi's eyes went wide as she looked at the lake in surprise.

Around the lake, there were at least a thousand Limiteers engaged in a chaotic battle. Even the sky above and the ground beneath the lake were filled with fights, as the battlefield covered a vast area.

Lu Yin randomly captured a nearby Limiteer to learn more about the current situation.

"This lake is called Pyrolyte Lake, and there's a lot of pyrolyte ore at the bottom." The Limiteer male trembled as he stared fearfully at Lu Yin. This person had grabbed him like someone holding a chick, and his strength was too frightening.

"Even more than Pyrolyte Mountain?" Lu Yin asked.

The Limiteer shook his head. "I'm not sure about that since it hasn't been thoroughly investigated, but it's definitely not a small amount of pyrolyte. Even if it can't compare to Pyrolyte Mountain, it won't be much less."

Lu Yin relaxed his hand and allowed the Limiteer to leave. He then surveyed the entirety of Pyrolyte Lake. After that, he released his domain, as he wanted to search for Zhuo Daynight.

Most of those who had come to seize this area belonged to organizations of the smaller flowzones. Even if there were some people from the Eight Great Flowzones, they were not very strong. There were even fewer geniuses who had comprehended domains, but that didn't mean that there were none at all.

As Lu Yin's domain extended further out, he eventually encountered resistance, and even sneak attacks.

Lu Yin frowned, and looked towards his right, at a location about a thousand meters away from him. In that place, there was a woman standing there, staring at him in provocation. She had also

comprehended a domain, which was how she had sensed the expansion of Lu Yin's domain. She instantly reacted, and she even tried to use her domain to suppress Lu Yin.

Lu Yin was about to act, but from beside him, Hai Qiqi's lips curled up. Layers of ripples fluctuated in the air before ferociously expanding out and covering almost half of Pyrolyte Lake at once. Not only did the ripples suppress Lu Yin's domain, it even stifled the few other geniuses who had domains. With just her strength alone, Hai Qiqi had suppressed the entire battlefield.

Across Pyrolyte Lake, quite a few people looked up, overwhelmed with shock. Who the heck had such a powerful domain?

Lu Yin also looked at Hai Qiqi in surprise. This kid's domain was quite powerful, and even though it was not at Mu Rong's forcefield's level, it should not be that much inferior to Liu Shaoqiu's still-nubile forcefield. Could this brat have comprehended a forcefield?

That woman provoking Lu Yin was frightened and hastened to escape. If Hai Qiqi's domain was this powerful, then her strength could naturally also be inferred.

Pleased with herself, Hai Qiqi raised her head and glanced at Lu Yin, as if waiting for him to compliment her.

Chapter 495: Dangerous Words

Lu Yin did not disappoint her. "You must have comprehended a forcefield!"

Hai Qiqi blinked and grinned. "Who knows? But you can keep guessing."

Lu Yin had asked just for fun, but by the looks of it, it really seemed like she might have comprehended a forcefield. Lu Yin still only knew of three people who had comprehended a forcefield, so if Hai Qiqi had truly done so, she would be the fourth.

A forcefield was an incredibly powerful ability. Mu Rong had been able to force Ling Que to split his soul into three clones with just his forcefield. And Liu Shaoqiu's forcefield, the Fourth Sword, had helped him conquer Pyrolyte Mountain. A forcefield was not something that just anyone could comprehend. Lu Yin had struggled just to comprehend a domain, so he didn't even think about what his chances of comprehending a forcefield were.

If Hai Qiqi really did have a forcefield, then she must be rather powerful. At the very least, her strength was comparable to Zhang Dingtian's, which was to be expected of the Sea King's daughter. Although she was not a fighter and had never experienced a bloodbath before, she was definitely not weak.

"What's the range of your forcefield?" Lu Yin asked.

Hai Qiqi thought it over before replying, "I'm not sure, but it should cover quite a large distance."

"Help me find something." He tapped on his gadget and showed her a picture of Zhuo Daynight.

Hai Qiqi rolled her eyes at him. "Why should I?"

"If you help me find her, you can go wherever you want," Lu Yin temptingly replied.

Hai Qiqi's eyes lit up. "Deal!"

With that, she started unleashing her domain at full force.

When Hai Qiqi had released her domain earlier, while the average Limiteer cultivator might not have realized it, the geniuses had all become aware that someone amazing had arrived. And so none of them dared to release their own domains to challenge her. However, they had ultimately decided to band together, and with the goal of challenging the girl next to Lu Yin, they started to surround the two.

Pyrolyte Lake was massive, and while the various Limiteers were fighting against each other, they had also made an agreement to work together in order to resist the heirs of the major powers. At this moment, Hai Qiqi and Lu Yin fit the description, so the combatants had decided to first work together and eliminate these two.

Lu Yin quickly realized what was going on and scanned the area behind him. There were five people working together, and each of them was equal to a genius from a large organization. Each of the five had comprehended a domain, and if they had been in the Astral Combat Academy, then they would have become Area Masters at the very least. One of them might have even been strong enough to become a Realm Master.

However, these people were still weak in Lu Yin's eyes.

Hai Qiqi didn't even bother with them. She continued to use her domain to search for Zhuo Daynight while Lu Yin slowly turned around, raised his hand, and then directed it at one of the geniuses.

"Spacerender Palm." As he spoke, his palm vibrated in such a way that the void distorted while a shockwave appeared.

At that moment, the five attackers became horribly startled. Through their domains, they could tell how terrifying Lu Yin's attack was, and the one who had been targeted by Lu Yin's palm strike shrank back and hurriedly tried to escape. Shockwaves brushed past him and sent him flying while half of his body went numb from the attack.

"I'm not interested in this place. I'm just here to look for someone," Lu Yin stated coldly as he looked the four remaining people up and down.

They eyed him fearfully. This person was terrifying! He was also a Limiteer, but why was the gap between them so large? He was most certainly a monster and was clearly somebody who they couldn't provoke. Not a single one of them spoke a word as they all immediately moved away.

In order to survive in the universe, it was better to have friends than enemies. Lu Yin did not enjoy killing, and unless it was absolutely necessary, he would avoid doing so.

The battle for Pyrolyte Lake had been going on for quite a while, and the intensity had not let up at all. The lake was originally a dull red, but the fresh blood had stained it into a brighter scarlet.

Spacecraft shot down from the sky and landed around the lake as even more Limiteers came out.

Hai Qiqi searched for quite some time, but she finally shook her head. "I can't find her."

Lu Yin was rather disappointed.

Hai Qiqi offered, "I'll try again."

Lu Yin did not say anything. While he really didn't want to admit it, it was very unlikely that Zhuo Daynight had survived. Even if she was alive, there was an extremely miniscule possibility that she had come to Pyrolyte Lake.

"Ah!"

Hai Qiqi suddenly shrieked and looked to the east.

"What's wrong?" He asked.

Hai Qiqi pointed to the east. "Some powerhouses from the Daynight clan are here."

Lu Yin frowned and gazed in the direction she had pointed in. He saw that there were about twenty people charging towards the lake, and the one leading them was Nightqueen Yanqing.

Pyrolyte Mountain had already been taken over by the Sword Sect. Thus, the Daynight clan was trying to gain control of Pyrolyte Lake.

All of a sudden, Lu Yin's expression changed. His gaze locked onto a figure who wasn't that far away from Nightqueen Yanqing. It was Zhanlong Daynight. I've been looking for you.

At that moment, Lu Yin barely resisted the urge to rush over, seize Zhanlong Daynight by the neck, and question him on how he'd managed to leave the Shenwu Continent and if he'd come to some kind of agreement with Ming Zhaoshu. However, Lu Yin instead decided not to make a rash decision. This wasn't the right time to expose himself.

The arrival of the Daynight clan meant that they would soon be the owners of Pyrolyte Lake. Even if all the present Limiteers here banded together, they still wouldn't be a match for the twenty new arrivals. Besides, they were all too afraid to fight against the Daynight clan anyways.

Hai Qiqi had been using her domain to look for Zhuo Daynight when her domain bumped into a domain genius from the Daynight clan, which was how the two of them had been found out.

Numerous Daynight cultivators appeared in front of Lu Yin and Hai Qiqi, glaring coldly at them. "Who are you?"

"What are you doing? Trying to find out how many people are here?" Hai Qiqi shot back sarcastically.

"That was your domain, wasn't it?" the Daynight cultivator asked as he looked at her, seeming rather cautious.

Hai Qiqi pointed at Lu Yin. "It was his."

Lu Yin was speechless since the person in front of them could clearly sense the truth.

The Daynight clan cultivator frowned. "I don't care who you are, but Pyrolyte Lake belongs to the Daynight clan now. Please leave this place immediately."

Lu Yin didn't want to expose himself and pulled Hai Qiqi away, intending to leave. However, at that moment, Nightqueen Yanqing showed up. While she hadn't comprehended a domain, she could still tell how powerful Hai Qiqi's was. The fluctuations from the girl's domain had shocked her.

"Wait." Nightqueen Yanqing stood in front of them, carefully studying Lu Yin and then Hai Qiqi. "Who are you?"

Hai Qiqi rolled her eyes. "You guys from the Daynight clan must be here to figure out how many people are here. What's it matter to you who we are? Get out of our way."

Lu Yin sighed. They were going to get in a fight. This brat had always been amazing at provoking people.

As expected, right after she spoke, the people from the Daynight clan became furious. Nightqueen Yanqing raised her brows. "Didn't your parents teach you any manners? I guess I'll have to do it for them."

While Hai Qiqi might have a sharp tongue, she wasn't always trying to pick a fight. However, she found Nightqueen Yanqing to be a horrible eyesore, especially with her ample breasts. Visually, the woman was aggravating, so Hai Qiqi went straight to it. "Sure thing, old aunty. Thanks for making it clear how old you are."

Nightqueen Yanqing was now thoroughly enraged. Being called "old aunty" reminded her of Yōu Ye'er, as those were the exact same words that stupid girl had used to insult here. And now, there was another little bitch calling her the same thing. Nightqueen Yanqing somehow correlated Hai Qiqi to Yōu Ye'er, and her four-lined battle force exploded forth. Her purple eyes flashed, and she punched out at Hai Qiqi, wanting both of these two girls to pay for insulting her.

Hai Qiqi smirked as the void around her trembled. Her domain was enough to cause Nightqueen Yanqueen to freeze while a sound reminiscent of the roar of the sea could be heard. The air seemed to solidify into layers as it formed a terrifying force that swept towards Nightqueen Yanqing. However, the latter's attack could not be stopped, and it tore straight through the domain, allowing her to grab Hai Qiqi.

The girl immediately cast a pitiful look over at Lu Yin.

Lu Yin had no choice, so he grabbed Hai Qiqi and took another step to instantly break past Nightqueen Yanqing and move far away.

Nightqueen Yanqing's attack did not end up landing on anyone, and she appeared to be rather shocked. After looking around, she focused on Lu Yin; his speed was stunning.

Even further away, above Pyrolyte Lake, Zhanlong Daynight looked over as well. He's fast! Interesting... His competitive side started coming out.

Lu Yin knew that things couldn't wait any longer, or else Zhanlong Daynight would show up. That was why he had grabbed Hai Qiqi and hurriedly left.

"Wait! Hey, wait a second! I've got a question!" Hai Qiqi squirmed while in Lu Yin's grasp.

Lu Yin stopped. "What?"

Hai Qiqi gazed at Nightqueen Yanqing and pointed at the woman's breasts. "Those things are fake, right? They're drooping."

Drooping... Drooping... Drooping...

From all around Pyrolyte Lake, numerous people stared at the girl in a daze. She had a particularly loud voice, and it wasn't just Nightqueen Yanqing who had heard her; the other Daynight clan members and even the escaping Limiteers had heard her. At this moment, numerous eyes were inadvertently drawn towards Yanqing's chest.

Nightqueen Yanqing went completely red and her eyes turned murderous. She screamed, "YOU STUPID GIRL!! I'M GOING TO KILL YOU!"

She activated her Nightking's Body and recklessly charged at Lu Yin and Hai Qiqi.

Lu Yin grinned, grabbed Hai Qiqi, and continued fleeing at a speed that far outpaced Yanqing, soon disappearing.

Because of that one thing that Hai Qiqi had said, even Zhanlong Daynight had not been able to stop himself from eyeing Yanqing's chest, which was why he hadn't helped out. Those words had been lethal.

Nightqueen Yanqing growled crazily up in the air, releasing a huge amount of star energy around her and far into the distance. Her fury had peaked, and she'd never been so angry before.

Far in the distance, Lu Yin looked at Hai Qiqi in awe. For some reason, this girl seemed amazing to him at this moment. Speech was oftentimes considered an art, but Hai Qiqi's speech was a weapon.

"Seventh Bro, I suddenly find myself liking this girl. When we run into other enemies, just let her mock them. I guarantee that there'll be a huge group of people that'll die of frustration!" the Ghost Monkey snickered.

Lu Yin was actually considering the monkey's suggestion as it did make sense. He had been able to tell that Nightqueen Yanqing's breathing had become ragged just now. If she had been in that state during the Astral Combat Tournament, Lu Yin would have easily won that match.

"Hey, what are you staring at me for? I'm warning you, you're not getting me or my heart!" Hai Qiqi grew cautious of Lu Yin's attention.

Lu Yin looked away. It was only now that he realized that Hai Qiqi must have actually been holding back when speaking to him.

Nightqueen Yanqing did not pursue them since she wasn't able to catch up, but Lu Yin didn't go too far away either. Only the Daynight clan would possibly know of Zhuo Daynight's location, so he was planning on capturing one of the clan members and asking them where she was.

Near the lake, the atmosphere had become a bit odd. The Daynight clan had gained control of the area, and the other cultivators had retreated, leaving the region in silence. However, the remaining people couldn't help themselves from occasionally sneaking peeks at Nightqueen Yanqing, and especially at her breasts.

Nightqueen Yanqing clenched her fists as her face turned red.

"Leave for a while. It won't take them long to leave," Zhanlong Daynight said as he walked over to her, though he himself unconsciously took a glimpse as he was speaking.

Nightqueen Yanqing glared furiously at him, but she did not leave. She'd always been stubborn, and the more people who looked, the more insistent she was on staying. She was the younger sister of Arbiter Zhenwu, and she wouldn't embarrass him. If people were going to look, then so be it!

Chapter 496: Running In The Opposite Direction

There were times where Nightqueen Yanqing's actions quite impressed Zhanlong Daynight. She was aggressive, stubborn, competitive, slightly despicable, and jealous, but she also continuously worked on improving herself. This woman was the reason why he had been imprisoned in the ancestral grounds, and he should hate her to the very core. However, rather than hatred, he actually felt pity for her, as everything she did was to try to match up to her brother, Zhenwu of the Ten Arbiters.

Arbiter Zhenwu was the pride of the entire Daynight clan, and he was the greatest genius that the Daynight clan had ever seen. Even Zhanlong Daynight had to admit that the Arbiter couldn't be surpassed, and having such a stellar brother had caused Nightqueen Yanqing to experience an exhausting life.

The other cultivators slowly left the area.

Nightqueen Yanqing remained in place, staring into the distance. She finally coldly ordered, "Immediately start mining."

The Daynight clan members quickly got to work.

After half a day, no other force had sent any more cultivators to Pyrolyte Lake, and no spacecraft had landed either.

Despite the peace, neither Zhanlong Daynight nor Nightqueen Yanqing let their guard down. In order to take full control of Pyrolyte Lake, they still had to deal with Ling Que.

The other forces wouldn't dare to fight against the Daynight clan, but the Wen family was an exception. The Wen family was the ruling family of Erudite Flowzone, and they were definitely a match for the Daynight clan. They had even been able to invite Ling Que to help them with the struggle on Planet Pyrolyte, so as long as the Daynight clan didn't defeat Ling Que, then Pyrolyte Lake could never be considered as truly belonging to them.

Nightqueen Yanqing knew that even if the entire Daynight clan worked together with the cultivators from the Second Grade Hall who were about to arrive, they still wouldn't be able to defeat Ling Que. The only thing that she could do now was to negotiate with Ling Que, but it would be ideal if he didn't come to Pyrolyte Lake.

Lu Yin quickly captured someone from the Daynight clan and asked them about Zhuo Daynight's whereabouts. From that, he learned that she had been abandoned and that they weren't certain if she was still even alive, and that if she was, she should be near Pyrolyte Mountain. Lu Yin was then able to deduce that she was hiding underground near Pyrolyte Mountain. They should have just gone there when they had been closer. What a waste of time.

He didn't have time to hesitate, so Lu Yin and Hai Qiqi headed back to Pyrolyte Mountain again.

Hai Qiqi didn't like this choice since she had already been to Pyrolyte Mountain. Naturally, she wanted to go and play somewhere else. However, there was nothing that she could do to Lu Yin, and when she resorted to insulting him, Lu Yin just pretended to not hear her.

Half a day after they left Pyrolyte Lake, the two of them quickly dropped down and stopped moving since someone was heading in their direction. It was Ling Que who had run into Lu Yin and Hai Qiqi. He didn't pay any particular attention to them, but he did shoot a charming smile towards Hai Qiqi when he saw her beauty.

Hai Qiqi suddenly exclaimed, "Narcissist!"

Ling Que paused and looked at Hai Qiqi in confusion before descending towards them.

Lu Yin was speechless. She's stirring up trouble again.

"Miss, what did you just say?" Ling Que asked.

Hai Qiqi confidently answered, "Narcissist."

"Who are you talking to?"

"Whoever responds to it."

Ling Que pouted as his expression turned dark. Ever since he had been exposed for hiring his cheerleaders at the Sea King's Dome, many people had started gossipping about him behind his back. Nevertheless, Hai Qiqi was the first person to directly call him a narcissist. "Miss, you should be careful when you speak so that you don't cause trouble for yourself."

"Just like when you spoke to Mu Rong?" Hai Qiqi asked innocently.

Ling Que rolled his eyes and looked at Lu Yin. "Teach her some manners. I don't fight girls, but I've got no problem fighting you."

Hai Qiqi was about to speak up again, but Lu Yin covered her mouth. "Sure thing. I'm sorry, this girl tends to speak before thinking. She probably thought that you were someone else, so don't mind her at all."

Ling Que glanced at Hai Qiqi again, thinking that it was a pity that such a beautiful girl was so rude. He then flew back into the sky and left.

Lu Yin removed his hand only after Ling Que was some distance away. Hai Qiqi panted and glared at him. "Hey! Are you trying to suffocate me?"

"Are you trying to give me a heart attack?" Lu Yin retorted.

Hai Qiqi furiously responded, "I'm just stating the truth! You also saw that he was flirting with me."

"You still shouldn't have said that. I don't want to reveal my presence here just yet. What if he decided to fight me? Everyone would discover who I am if that happened."

"I don't care. It would have been his fault. He flirted with me and then he even had the gall to scold me for it! Go beat him up for me."

"No, I can't reveal myself."

"Lu Yin, you coward! I want to break up with you!"

Lu Yin was rendered speechless, but he just grabbed her and continued on his way. Hai Qiqi continued screaming in indignation, but Lu Yin used his star energy to block off her voice, it was just way too annoying.

Even when they were about to reach Pyrolyte Mountain, Hai Qiqi was still complaining. Lu Yin could only calmly say to her, "Help me find that person, and then I'll let you go wherever you want."

Hai Qiqi couldn't resist the temptation, so she agreed.

Lu Yin gave her a warning as well. "Mu Rong is at Pyrolyte Mountain, and your forcefield is just a toy before him. Be careful, and don't get too close to him. Look for her slowly, and focus more on the underground areas."

"Fine!" Hai Qiqi said impatiently and then slowly released her forcefield. She wasn't dumb, so of course she wouldn't try to go up against Mu Rong with her forcefield.

Lu Yin hoped that they would be able to find Zhuo Daynight this time, as if they didn't, he really didn't know where to look for her next. He just hoped she wasn't already dead!

In outer space, above the planet, Granny Chan, Lily Anne, and the other high leveled members of Northline Flowzone focused on the area around Pyrolyte Mountain. They were watching Lu Yin and Hai Qiqi, wondering what the two of them were doing there. Only Lily Anne knew that Lu Yin had come to this place to save someone. Could it be that the person he had come for was near Pyrolyte Mountain?

They soon shifted their attention back to Pyrolyte Lake, as Ling Que was about to arrive there. Everyone could sense the huge battle brewing on the horizon.

However, just a few moments later, someone hesitantly spoke up. "Ling Que is now running in the opposite direction."

Lily Anne blinked in confusion, but her eyes were not wrong. The young man truly was actually running in the opposite direction .

"Could he be lost?" someone asked.

"Maybe. Pyrolyte Lake is very far from his previous location, and he is currently surrounded by scattered bits of pyrolyte ore. Thus, there's no way for him to determine his location."

"The Wen family is on their way to Pyrolyte Lake, and if Ling Que doesn't arrive at the same time, they'll be in big trouble. The Daynight clan will definitely attack them as soon as they appear, and by the time Ling Que arrives, the Wen family won't have many people left."

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All the major powers watching from outer space had realized that Ling Que was running in the opposite direction. The Wen family became very anxious since Wen Qian'er and the others were already approaching Pyrolyte Lake.

Wen Qichen, an elder of the Wen family, stared at a screen showing Ling Que. The elder could no longer ignore the situation, and he quickly stepped out of the vessel and into outer space above Planet Pyrolyte to shout at Ling Que. However, the moment the elder moved, Nightqueen Qiuyu showed up next to him with a delighted expression. "No attacks against the young ones leaving Planet Pyrolyte, and no interfering in the battles on Planet Pyrolyte. Those are the rules. Wen Qichen, you're not thinking of breaking the rules, are you?"

Wen Qichen's face twitched, but then he sighed reluctantly. "Of course not. I just wanted to take a stroll."

"Very well then. I'll accompany you on your stroll." Nightqueen Qiuyu was worried that Wen Qichen would somehow find a way to surreptitiously contact Ling Que.

Normally, powerhouses who were above the Cruiser realm were able to easily project their voice to cover an entire planet like Planet Pyrolyte. However, to prevent the pyrolyte on this planet from exploding due to the soundwaves produced by a powerhouse, the major organizations had set a few rules in place. One of the rules was that nobody was allowed to project their voice onto Planet Pyrolyte from space.

Wen Qichen glanced at Nightqueen Qiuyu before returning to the Wen family's spacecraft, where he looked at the screen in resignation. Ling Que had been running in the opposite direction this entire time, and he felt an urgent need to go down and turn the youth around towards the correct direction.

He really wanted to send someone to Planet Pyrolyte just so that they could tell Ling Que that he was heading in the wrong direction. However, there wasn't enough time to do that, and he didn't even know where Ling Que was trying to go since there was no fixed meeting location. Even if he sent people down, they might not be able to find Ling Que.

Moreover, the most important factor at this moment was time. Wen Qichen had to somehow get Ling Que onto the correct path before Wen Qian'er and the others arrived at Pyrolyte Lake. With Ling Que's extreme speed, he still had a chance to catch up to their group.

Mira also stood in front of the screen with a helpless gaze. Ling Que was just too unreliable. If only Lu Yin was available to help them.

Suddenly, an idea popped into her head, and she promptly shared it with the Wen family.

A short while later, numerous spacecraft flew towards Planet Pyrolyte, destined for Pyrolyte Lake.

Since they couldn't explicitly tell Ling Que to change directions, they would instead use their spacecraft to inform him. They could use the spacecraft to clearly indicate the location of the lake, as some of the vessels even lined up to form the words "Lake—opposite" across the sky.

All Limiteers were able to see the spacecraft, and thus, most of the people on Planet Pyrolyte saw the words spelled out by the ships. Most of the people stood there in a daze, confused at what they were seeing. Just what was going on?

Nightqueen Qiuyu grew furious when she saw the scene unfold. "Wen Qichen, you're cheating!"

Wen Qichen smugly exited his spacecraft. "Nightqueen Qiuyu, don't insult me. I haven't cheated. I have only sent some people down to Planet Pyrolyte. Why would you say that? Did the rules restrict the number of people that I can send down to Planet Pyrolyte?"

Nightqueen Qiuyu was enraged, but the Wen family really hadn't broken any rules, so there was nothing she could do about their actions.

Everyone was watching the Wen family's performance, but Ling Que still hadn't noticed anything. He believed himself to be an ethical and reliable guy, and since he had promised to help the Wen family obtain pyrolyte, he would indeed put forth his best efforts. The only thing on his mind right now was to hurry over to Pyrolyte Lake and help his employers gain control of the location. Hence, he just kept running, not even seeing the words written across the sky.

Wen Qichen grew anxious. "Try again!"

Mira replied, "There's no time, elder. I suggest that we instead use the spacecraft to remind Qian'er and the others to stay where they are now so that they aren't discovered by the Daynight clan."

Wen Qichen immediately commanded the spacecraft to take those actions.

Moments later, more spacecraft flew down towards Planet Pyrolyte, further infuriating Nightqueen Qiuyu. She wished that she could personally destroy all the ships.

Lu Yin looked up at the sky. Lake? Opposite? What does that mean? Pyrolyte Lake should be in that direction. Opposite—could someone be going in the wrong direction? What are the odds that it's Ling Que? Now that would be interesting.

Hai Qiqi was also looking at the sky. "It seems like something interesting is happening. Hey, do you think that they'll keep writing words with the incoming ships?"

Lu Yin shook his head to indicate his lack of knowledge. All he knew was that things were developing rather strangely.

"Keep searching and be careful. Don't let Mu Rong discover you," Lu Yin urged Hai Qiqi again.

Hai Qiqi rolled her eyes, but she continued using her forcefield to look for Zhuo Daynight.

A while later, another batch of spacecraft appeared in the sky, this time forming three words. "Wen-don't move."

Many Limiteers on Planet Pyrolyte stared at the sky in confusion.

Wen Qian'er saw the words and immediately stopped moving. At that moment, the group from the Wen family were less than three hours away from Pyrolyte Lake.

Suddenly, another batch of spacecraft appeared and formed the words, "Wen-keep moving."

Wen Qian'er was stunned; what in the world was going on?

Wen Qichen grew irate as soon as he saw the second set of words. "Nightqueen Qiuyu is so despicable! Keep sending spacecraft." After that, an interesting show appeared in the sky: "Wen—don't move. Lake, opposite." "Wen, keep moving, go." "Wen, don't move." "Wen, keep moving. "Wen, retreat." "Daynight, go..."

The people on the surface of the planet were dumbfounded as they watched the show play out in the sky.

Chapter 497: Appearance

The activity among the spacecraft in the sky drew even Mu Rong's attention. Ling Que was the only one who was bullheadedly rushing forward without thinking of anything else. He didn't even raise his head to look at his surroundings.

"You guys, shut up." Another fleet of vessels formed a message, this time from the Sword Sect. Apparently, they couldn't stand looking at the scene any longer.

The Wen family and the Daynight clan were clearly fighting with the number of spaceships that they possessed. From the Sword Sect's point of view, the other two major powers were making fools of themselves. All three of them were major organizations, so how could they accept this ridiculing act?

However, it seemed as though the Wen family had secured a decent head start. Over the next period of time, ships continued to form words high in the sky to help guide Limiteers in the right directions and evade danger. The skies above Planet Pyrolyte became quite lively, but a large number of spacecraft were consumed in the process.

Suddenly, Northcastle Weave, Frostwave Weave, and several other nearby weaves received a large number of orders for personal spacecraft. Even the Great Yu Empire received orders for an astounding number.

Gavin, the finance minister of the Great Yu Empire, was delighted. The Great Yu Empire had numerous vessels whose models had long since become obsolete stored away, and Gavin quickly arranged for all of them to be sold to Northcastle Weave. He was prepared for a windfall.

One would expect that Planet Pyrolyte would soon become a graveyard for spacecraft as countless ships continued to crash down into it.

At this time, Wen Qichen had already ordered someone to take a spacecraft and go after Ling Que. He was planning on stopping the Limiteer and telling him he was heading in the wrong direction. Wen Qian'er and the others had received a warning as well, so they had temporarily stopped moving towards Pyrolyte Lake. As long as Ling Que arrived at the lake, Pyrolyte Lake would belong to the Wen family.

Although Nightqueen Qiuyu kept sending more spacecraft down and creating more confusing words and phrases, Wen Qian'er remained steadfast and did not act. This was because the Wen family's reinforcements had already reached Planet Pyrolyte and enlightened her to the situation. Wen Qian'er was currently scolding Ling Que to death in her heart; their forces had almost fallen for a trap and been wiped out.

The Wen family had sent at least thirty people after Ling Que in hopes of stopping him.

Lu Yin watched this grand show take place, but he soon lost all interest. Someone had come up with a strange idea, and now, countless vessels were being used to form words in the sky.

A day later, Ling Que finally sensed that something wasn't right and came to a stop. Why haven't I haven't arrived at Pyrolyte Lake?

There were dozens of people from the Wen family and the Daynight clan around him as they fought fiercely. The Daynight clan was afraid that Ling Que would be found and be guided to Pyrolyte Lake.

Ling Que activated his detector and tried to find some pyrolyte within the local vicinity. If there was pyrolyte, then there would definitely be people there as well. He then took off in a different direction. Though he still wasn't running in the correct direction, at least he wasn't running away from the lake anymore. More importantly, he was running towards some Wen family members. Also, Ling Que finally saw that there were spacecraft in the sky spelling out words. What's going on?

Wen Qichen heaved a heavy sigh of relief. Ling Que had finally realized that something was wrong. The Wen family elder felt incredibly tired, even more exhausted than if he had fought against Nightqueen Qiuyu.

Lu Yin and Hai Qiqi were now very close to Pyrolyte Mountain. They had searched for more than a day, but they still hadn't found Zhuo Daynight. If they drew any closer to Pyrolyte Mountain, then there was a good chance that Mu Rong would discover them. However, Lu Yin wouldn't give up. "Qiqi, keep going."

"Okay—wait, what did you call me? Call me Sister Qi!" Hai Qiqi shouted back.

"Freedom, entertainment." Lu Yin lightly spoke two words in response.

Hai Qiqi obediently continued to spread her forcefield out as she searched for Zhuo Daynight.

On Pyrolyte Mountain, Mu Rong suddenly opened his eyes and looked in the direction of Hai Qiqi and Lu Yin. He stood up and took a single step before disappearing.

The many disciples of the Sword Sect were surprised since Mu Rong hadn't left ever since he had helped them gain control of Pyrolyte Mountain.

Lu Yin's eyes flickered. It turned out that they couldn't avoid Mu Rong in the end.

Hai Qiqi's forcefield continued spreading underground. Suddenly, her forcefield distorted, and she looked up with a yelp. She was shocked to see Mu Rong materialize right in front of her, and she immediately hid behind Lu Yin before looking at Mu Rong with cautious eyes.

Mu Rong stared at Lu Yin. "Who are you?"

"I'm not hostile. A friend of mine disappeared during the battle for Pyrolyte Mountain. I want to find out if they are hiding underground," Lu Yin lightly answered.

Mu Rong looked calm. "No, there's no one beneath Pyrolyte Mountain."

Lu Yin was disappointed. Was she really not there?

"Why should we believe you?" Hai Qiqi poked her head out.

Mu Rong softly replied, "You can choose to believe my words or not, and you can search by yourself."

After saying those words, he turned around and left. He had only wanted to confirm whether or not the intruder was an enemy, but it had turned out that the people were not hostile. However, after taking a few steps, he stopped and turned around. He carefully observed Lu Yin. "You seem very familiar."

Lu Yin had used the Invisible Aura Technique and even changed his appearance, so even Hunters might not be aware of his identity for a period of time. It was not surprising that Mu Rong had failed to see through his disguise.

"I have a common face," Lu Yin nonchalantly replied.

Hai Qiqi nodded seriously.

My Rong's eyes flashed. He stopped thinking about the matter as he returned to Pyrolyte Mountain.

Lu Yin had not expected Mu Rong to leave them be so easily, so he turned to Hai Qiqi and said, "Go ahead and use your full strength to search Pyrolyte Mountain."

Hai Qiqi agreed and released the full power of her forcefield. This time, not only did Mu Rong sense her actions, but Liu Shaoqiu, who was even further away, did as well. It was a strong forcefield, but it wasn't threatening. Liu Shaoqiu lifted his head, glanced at Mu Rong, and then did not pay much attention to the forcefield after that.

Since the two of them were protecting Pyrolyte Mountain, unless that person showed up, there was no Limiteer in the current universe who could threaten their control.

Soon, Hai Qiqi recalled her forcefield and shook her head. "There's no one here."

Lu Yin's expression became complicated. If Zhuo Daynight really wasn't at Pyrolyte Mountain, then where else could she be? Had she actually died in such a manner that not even her bones remained?

That was the only outcome that Lu Yin could think of. Given Zhuo Daynight's power and her previous injuries, there was a strong possibility that she had died after being struck by the shockwaves from Mu Rong's battle.

Lu Yin felt helpless, but he had already tried his best. Planet Pyrolyte was massive, so he couldn't search through it inch-by-inch. At the moment, he planned on going back, finding Zhanlong Daynight, and then asking him about the situation on Shenwu Continent. Afterwards, Lu Yin planned on returning to the Outerverse so that he could contact Nightking Yuanjing and ask the old man to step forward and order the Daynight clan members at Planet Pyrolyte to search for Zhou Daynight. Right, there were also the people from Northline Flowzone who could help him search.

As long as Zhuo Daynight wasn't dead, she would definitely be found. For now, it was time to go to Pyrolyte Lake.

Lu Yin took Hai Qiqi back towards the lake.

In another place, Ling Que rapidly sped towards a distant pyrolyte mine. When he was only about halfway there, a member of the Wen family saw Ling Que and started ecstatically chasing after him while shouting.

Ling Que glanced at the man, but then he indifferently left.

In the sky, Wen Qichen almost crushed the spacecraft to pieces.

This was what he had been the most worried about. No matter how many people were sent to find Ling Que, they might not be able to find him. And even if Ling Que was found, they might not be able to say a word to him. And furthermore, even if they did speak, he might not hear them. Being extremely fast wasn't always a good thing.

In the end, that same Wen family cultivator managed to catch up Ling Que. The man was quite clever and had similarly detected the location of the nearby pyrolyte mine. The Wen family member managed to come face-to-face with Ling Que, and he told him the story of what happened in the sky for the past day, as well as what the spacecraft writing meant.

Ling Que was stunned after hearing everything. He hadn't expected the spacecraft to write words across the sky because of him. He was at a loss as it turned out that he had actually gotten lost and ruined his own image in the process.

At this moment, the Wen family launched another batch of spacecraft into the sky. This time, the spacecraft all looked like older models. It appeared that the family had hurriedly gathered their ships to arrange them in the words, "Lake Here."

Ling Que pursed his lips, and his thoughts became even more complicated.

However, before he moved out, another group of spacecraft appeared in the sky, also forming the words "Lake Here." But this time, the words were pointed towards a different direction. Although both of the words were pointing towards the south, one of them was pointing to the southeast and the other the southwest.

Ling Que was stunned; which was the right direction?

Immediately afterwards, another batch of spacecraft was sent out. This time, no words were formed. Instead, they formed an arrow pointing in one direction. Soon, batch after batch of vessels were sent out, each one forming a different arrow.

Ling Que blankly stared at the sky. There were more than a dozen arrows, so which one was the correct one?

He grabbed the cultivator from the Wen family. Ling Que had become a bit flustered, and he was about to fly into a rage from the humiliation. "Where exactly is Pyrolyte Lake?"

The Wen family cultivator was also taken aback. He actually didn't know. He only knew that the lake was to the south, but he similarly couldn't point out the exact location.

High above the sky, Wen Qichen was anxious. The Daynight clan was too despicable and shameless. They had gone to such lengths to muddle the messages' meaning.

Mira was also helpless. Fortunately, at least Ling Que knew that he had been traveling in the wrong direction. At least he could look for the lake by moving towards the two directions.

Ling Que also thought of this, and he quickly carried out this plan. He covered his head and ran towards the south. He would make the Daynight clan pay the price for this embarrassment.

Nightqueen Qiuyue was left helpless. She had tried her best, but Ling Que would definitely end up finding Pyrolyte Lake in the end. He wasn't stupid, and a fierce battle was unavoidable.

Around Pyrolyte Lake, a desolate figure appeared with long fluttering black and white hair.

A Daynight clan member saw the person and immediately stepped towards her, "Zhuo Daynight, why have you only appeared now?"

This person was Zhuo Daynight. During the battle for Pyrolyte Mountain, she had been buried by the aftershocks of the battle, but luckily, she hadn't been completely pummeled by the aftermath. She had finally emerged from underground after finding a place to recover. She had then headed for Pyrolyte Lake after seeing the words in the sky.

In fact, if Lu Yin had first gone to Pyrolyte Mountain and then simply gone a bit further south, he would have run into Zhuo Daynight. It was a pity that he had just missed her.

Zhuo Daynight glanced at the man and indifferently walked towards Pyrolyte Lake.

The man snorted coldly. Of the Daynight clan members who had come to Planet Pyrolyte, which of them didn't know that Zhuo Daynight was a thorn in Nightqueen Yanqing's side? One of them was a member of the Daynight clan while the other one was a Nightqueen. The clan members naturally knew whom to side with. Besides Zhanlong Daynight helping Zhuo Daynight by stopping an attack from Nightqueen Yanqing, everyone else was anxious for Zhuo Daynight to die. They had personally witnessed Zhuo Daynight being thrown underground, but not a single one of them had moved to rescue her.

Nightqueen Yanqing and Zhalong Daynight also saw that Zhuo Daynight had arrived at Pyrolyte Lake. Zhanlong Daynight did not pay her arrival any attention, but Nightqueen Yanqing laughed coldly; it was good that the girl had made it. It was impossible to avoid a battle with the Wen family, so Yanqing could just have Zhuo Daynight die at that time.

Zhuo Daynight stood beside Pyrolyte Lake and looked at her reflection in the lake. Perhaps she would never return. She raised her head, and her eyes seemed to see across the endless sky. She saw her parents, her clansmen, as well as the nightmare that she couldn't shake off no matter what, the nightmare that caused her to be fearful for her entire life. Father, mother, I'm so tired. I'm sorry.

The battle for control over Pyrolyte Lake erupted a day later. Although the Daynight clan had continued to interfere with Ling Que's sense of direction, Ling Que had still eventually found Pyrolyte Lake with a simple method; he had grabbed people and interrogated them. A large number of cultivators had ran away from Pyrolyte Lake after the Daynight clan arrived.

As for Wen Qian'er and the others, they didn't move any closer to the lake. They were afraid of being wiped out by the Daynight clan, so they had actually started moving further and further away from Pyrolyte Lake.

Ling Que faced the entire Daynight clan on his own, just like when he had first arrived at Pyrolyte Mountain.

Nightqueen Yanqing stood in front of Ling Que, pretending to be wronged. "Brother Ling, are you really going to embarrass this little sister? My Daynight clan has always been extremely respectful to Brother Ling and never rude."

Ling Que looked at Nightqueen Yanqing's enchanting face, alluring figure, and her stunning eyes, but his mood was very quickly ruined by the spacecraft flying in the sky. "Your Daynight clan has really screwed around with me this time."

Nightqueen Yanqing grudgingly replied, "This was all for the sake of Brother Ling. The elders in the clan don't want to make things difficult for Brother Ling, which is why they disrupted you. Does Brother Ling really want to make things difficult for this little sister?"

Chapter 498: Two Fingers

Before Ling Que could even say anything in response, Zhanlong Daynight, who was nearby, rushed over. He attempted to land a blow on Ling Que while shouting, "Enough nonsense! The Daynight clan doesn't need to fawn over anyone!"

Zhanlong Daynight's attack turned into a strong gale that could be seen by the naked eye. It tore the ground apart with a tremendous noise, but Ling Que easily evaded the attack. He lifted a hand, and the blade of his Que's Mighty Slash tore through the void and disappeared. Zhanlong Daynight's face changed when their fists clashed, the void warping even as a result. In an instant, multiple layers of shockwaves rippled out from where Zhanlong Daynight was standing, spreading in all directions. The Que's Mighty Slash shot out of the void, headed straight for Zhanlong Daynight, but it was stopped midway by the shockwaves, which caused its power to drop substantially. Even though the attack caused Zhanlong Daynight to bleed, it was not enough to substantially damage him.

This was a method that Zhanlong Daynight had spent a long time creating, and it had been made specifically to deal with the Que's Mighty Slash.

Against Ling Que, Liu Shaoqiu had used his Second Sword as a defensive countermeasure while also changing up his offensive strategies. Zhanlong Daynight, on the other hand, was capable of clapping his palms together to create shockwaves that could act as defensive barriers.

Ling Que was amazed by this tactic. "Interesting."

Right in front of the two of them, Nightqueen Yanqing cursed at Zhanlong Daynight's stupidity inside her own head. She was not fazed by the battle, and with sparkling purple lights in her pupils, she suddenly yelled out, "Brother Ling!"

Ling Que automatically looked in her direction, and his eyes met her purple eyes.

Immediately, the bottom of Ling Que's feet turned to stone, and the stonification quickly spread to other parts of his body. This was Nightqueen Yanqing's innate gift—purple eyes. Her eyes were able to turn anything into stone.

Ling Que's brows rose up, and he felt his body jolt. Right after that, a second Ling Que appeared. He had used his Soulsplitting Technique, and the Ling Que who had been turned into stone quickly vanished.

"Miss Yanqing, you've gone too far." Ling Que's tone turned cold when he realized that he had been sneak attacked.

Nightqueen Yanqing activated her Nightking's Body and released her battle force even as she replied in an agonized tone, "I am sorry, Brother Ling. I didn't wish for things to happen this way either. Please don't hold it against me."

With a swoosh, Zhanlong Daynight shot past Nightqueen Yanqing and threw a blow straight at Ling Que while the Que's Mighty Slash in Ling Que's hand flickered as it slashed out horizontally. A thunderous sound was heard as a spatial tear appeared that quickly ballooned to cross the entirety of Pyrolyte Lake.

Zhanlong Daynight's body spun around as he evaded the attack. He then kicked out with his leg at Ling Que, and at the same time, Nightqueen Yanqing launched an attack from the another side.

Ling Que quickly twisted his body, swinging the large blade around as he did so, and moved away so that Zhanlong Daynight and Nightqueen Yanqing's attacks landed on empty ground.

The earth instantly shattered, and all three of them were cast underground at the same time. Terrifying shockwaves shuddered through the land, causing the earth below to be sent flying up high in the sky.

Zhanlong Daynight and Nightqueen Yanqing immediately jumped up from beneath the ground. The next moment, a huge number of Daynight clan members from the surrounding area charged forward to attack the ground. The Daynight clan intended to use their combined power to defeat Ling Que.

From high above, Nightqueen Qiuyu stared intently at a screen. Would their strategy actually work?

Wen Qichen frowned, as Ling Que had been too careless in his eyes.

The Daynight clan had no slouches among them. Every member of the Daynight clan was capable of executing battle techniques that could attack their opponents' spiritual force. Their coordinated attack just now had not been launched in hopes of damaging Ling Que's body, but rather in hopes of damaging his spiritual force.

This was also the reason why the combined might of the Daynight clan's attacks did not cause much damage to Pyrolyte Lake. Even though the naked eye could not see the blow that they had unleashed, it had actually dealt quite a significant amount of damage to Ling Que's spiritual force.

After the round of attacks concluded, all of the Daynight clan's members involved were out of breath. Zhanlong Daynight tightly clenched his fists. This was the first time he had ever attacked another person with an overwhelming numerical superiority. The coordinated group attack left him feeling sour, but it was inevitable since he could not fight against Ling Que on his own.

Nightqueen Yanqing had a look of longing in her eyes. She was hoping that Ling Que had been unable to withstand their attacks.

However, reality ended up leaving all of them horribly disappointed. Ling Que slowly emerged from the ground with a sinister look on his face as sweat dripped down from his forehead. The series of attacks that he had received from the Daynight clan had not been entirely ineffective; they had caused him to become dizzy and had ignited his rage.

Ling Que raised his head, revealing a cold glare in his eyes. His gaze swept across all the people from the Daynight clan. "Do you all have a death wish?"

Nightqueen Yanqing's heart raced. She could tell that the situation had taken a turn for the worse. "Everyone, RETREAT!"

Zhanlong Daynight let out a low growl and aimed his fist at Ling Que. The unparalleled Limiteer paused slightly before leaping up with Que's Mighty Slash in his hand. The void ripped open, and the tear continued to spread across the sky. Across from him, Zhanlong Daynight violently crashed to the ground, blood oozing from everywhere.

Ling Que swept his glance over his surroundings as the giant blade disappeared. The next moment, the throats of a dozen Daynight clan members were slashed open, instantly killing them. Nightqueen Yanqing's pupils shrank, and she desperately tried to flee. Ling Que's eyes narrowed and the massive blade disappeared again. This time, it was headed straight for Nightqueen Yanqing.

Nightqueen Yanqing's scalp went numb. "Brother Ling, please have mercy!"

A glimmer of icy arrogance flashed across Ling Que's eyes. Even though he was vain and lecherous, that was just the kind of man that Ling Que was! He was one of the four unparalleled Limiteers and an extremely talented man from the Lingling clan. He was not someone who would take an insult lying down. Although he absolutely reveled in the Nightqueen's respect and worship for him, that earlier attack had crossed his bottom line. Since that was the case, then he would just kill her!

Powerful cultivators all had a bottom line, and once that line was crossed, they would become savage beasts.

Nightqueen Yanqing could truly see death's door at this moment. It would take just three seconds, three seconds for her to be slain by his Que's Mighty Slash. One second, two seconds... On the third second, she suddenly stretched an arm out, grabbed Zhuo Daynight, and used her as a shield. Zhuo Daynight had been a part of the earlier attack. Now that Ling Que was about to deal her a fatal blow, she knew that, without a doubt, this was the end. She had no hope of escaping.

When she was grabbed by Nightqueen Yanqing, Zhuo Daynight had a pale look of death on her face; her time had come.

The Que's Mighty Slash emerged from the void, headed straight for Zhuo Daynight's forehead. Ling Que showed no mercy, and his eyes were icy cold.

Nightqueen Yanqing hid behind Zhuo Daynight, her face white as a sheet. At best, Zhuo Daynight's death would buy her another second of life. Although it was another second, Nightqueen Yanqing had no idea how she could possibly defend herself against Que's Mighty Slash. This man was just too terrifying!

In outer space, above the planet, Nightqueen Qiuyu was unable to bear the situation anymore. She was ready to take action as Nightqueen Yanqing could not die!

At that very moment, the exact moment Zhuo Daynight sensed that her forehead was about to be pierced, two fingers suddenly appeared in front of Zhuo Daynight and grabbed ahold of the mysterious Que's Mighty Slash. After that, the void trembled, and everyone felt as if their hearts had stopped beating. Even the air itself went silent.
Everyone stared dumbfoundedly at the figure who had appeared in front of Zhuo Daynight. This man had just used merely two fingers to block the Que's Mighty Slash.

Ling Que was thoroughly shocked by this scene. How can this be? Not even Mu Rong can do that!

Nightqueen Yanqing stared at the man in disbelief. He was just centimeters away from her. Who was this strange man who had just saved her life?

Drip.

Drip.

Blood slowly dripped onto the ground. Even though the Que's Mighty Slash had been stopped, it had nevertheless still stabbed in between Zhuo Daynight brows. She had already fainted, or to put it more accurately, she was on the brink of death.

The man who was standing in front of Zhuo Daynight was, unsurprisingly, Lu Yin. He had witnessed this scene right as he had arrived at Pyrolyte Lake. He had immediately unleashed the grains of Fatesand in his heart and left arm to release a huge portion of his true physical strength, which was how he had managed to use only two fingers to stop the Que's Mighty Slash. Alas, he had still been too late, the blade had already stabbed between Zhuo Daynight's eyebrows.

In the distance, Hai Qiqi covered her mouth. She could not bear to watch what was happening.

A blade stabbing someone between the eyebrows would cause their forehead to split open and basically guarantee death. This was not an injury that could be healed by even the best medication Shamrock Enterprises had to offer. Humans could usually recover from almost any injury, but there was no way to recover from a wound like this. Zhuo Daynight's life had been snatched away the moment the blade stabbed her.

Pyrolyte Lake fell silent. Lu Yin's arms trembled, and his eyes glistened as he looked at Zhuo Daynight. Zhuo Daynight, on the other hand, had dull eyes as she stared back at Lu Yin. All she saw was a stranger since Lu Yin had disguised himself. She felt no resentment, as death was a form of absolution for her.

The Que's Mighty Slash that had pierced her forehead vanished, as Ling Que had taken it back. Lu Yin grabbed Zhuo Daynight as shockwaves pulsed out from his body, forcing Nightqueen Yanqing to stumble and take cover. He then charged away from Pyrolyte Lake since he had suddenly thought of something: the piece of white fruit. It was the same white fruit that he had used a vast number of star essences to upgrade to the point of it being able to instinctively avoid danger.

The Trialmaster had once said that such a fruit became more potent over time, and that some could even gain the power of resurrection since they were chock full of life energy. While Lu Yin did not believe that this fruit could actually resurrect someone, this was the only way he had a chance of saving Zhuo Daynight.

Everyone except Ling Que was stunned. Ling Que stared at Lu Yin for a moment before rushing after him, shouting, "Hey, wait! Who the hell are you?"

Throughout the entire universe, there wasn't a single Limiteer that Ling Que could think of who could stop his Que's Mighty Slash with just two fingers. If Mu Rong wasn't capable of such a feat, then it was unlikely for Lu Yin to be capable of it as well. So with that line of thought, who in the world was this person? This man had to be the most powerful Limiteer in the universe, and Ling Que had to find out who he was.

Ling Que wasn't the only person who was curious about Lu Yin's identity, as everyone was wondering the same thing. This even included the various powers above the planet. Wen Qichen, Nightqueen Qiuyu, Elder Viletree, and the others were all intently watching the events take place at Pyrolyte Lake. They were all curious to find out how such a powerful Limiteer had come here.

Only Northline Flowzone's Granny Chan, Lily Anne, and a few others knew who this person was, but they had all been shocked when they saw how Lu Yin had blocked Ling Que's blade. This went against everything that they knew about the power of a Limiteer. Even Enlighters like Granny Chan were completely lost on how a Limiteer could be so strong. This was just too amazing!

Ling Que scurried after Lu Yin as he raised a hand and sent out another one of his Que's Mighty Slash. The blade shot through the void and headed straight for Lu Yin.

Lu Yin frowned as he still did not want to reveal his identity. He had Hai Qiqi leave while he spun around to face the giant blade. Right when it appeared, he shifted his body to the side. He then tightly hugged Zhuo Daynight and charged at the ground while spitting out a glob of blood. Right before he landed, Lu Yin threw a feigned look of reluctance at Ling Que and then sped away at his top speed.

Ling Que remained standing in the same spot, bewildered. The man had clearly just been hurt since there was a trace of blood on the blade, but if that was the case, then how had he stopped Ling Que's blade earlier? He could not come up with an appropriate answer.

Everyone was baffled by what had just happened, but there was only one possible explanation. The man had most likely used an innate gift to block the Que's Mighty Slash, but the innate gift was not one that could be sustained for a long time.

This was the only possible explanation that people could come up with. Each innate gift in the universe was unique, and there were all sorts of innate gifts.

The only other explanation was that the man had pretended to be injured, but no one present could think of why someone would fake such a thing. This event should be a great way for this person to become renowned throughout the Human Domain, so it seemed unlikely that he had faked his injury.

As people's thoughts kept going down such a path, many of them heaved sighs of relief. They had reassured themselves that no Limiteer could be so unreasonably powerful.

Lu Yin had pretended to be injured by the blade to confuse everyone since he did not wish to expose himself. As for the identity of the person who had rescued Zhuo Daynight, although suspicions might fall on him, as long as no one could know it was him for certain, it was alright.

As he tightly held onto Zhuo Daynight, Lu Yin stomped on the ground, creating a fissure that he jumped into. Now that he was away from the watchful eyes of all of the observing powers above the planet, he

went ahead and pulled out the white fruit from his cosmic ring. He then forced Zhuo Daynight's mouth open and stuffed the fruit in. Now, whether or not she recovered was left solely up to luck.

"Seventh Bro, what did you just feed that woman? Why did her life force suddenly surge?" the Ghost Monkey asked.

Chapter 499: Night's End, Daybreak

By now, Hai Qiqi had caught up to Lu Yin. She had never strayed far from Lu Yin's side on Planet Pyrolyte. When she saw how Lu Yin was staring at Zhuo Daynight, she quickly asked, "What are you in a daze about? Let's hurry up and leave! There are more people coming after us!"

Lu Yin grabbed Hai Qiqi while also still holding onto Zhuo Daynight, rushed into the sky and continued moving away.

Many people behind them wanted to give chase, but none of them could catch up since Lu Yin's speed was just too fast.

"Even if this person isn't a match for Ling Que, just based on his ability to block the Que's Mighty Slash and his speed, he's still shown enough strength to climb straight to the top," someone commented.

No one disagreed since Lu Yin had truly demonstrated enough strength to be regarded this highly.

At Pyrolyte Lake, Ling Que had killed many people from the Daynight clan. He had severely injured Zhanlong Daynight, and he had also almost killed Nightqueen Yanqing. The Daynight clan didn't dare tarry any longer and hurriedly retreated from Pyrolyte Lake. The lake had now officially been occupied by the Wen family.

This battle fully embodied the horror of invincible powerhouses. Just as Mu Rong had helped the Sword Sect take control of Pyrolyte Mountain, Pyrolyte Lake had similarly been taken over by just Ling Que himself. If any of the four unparalleled Limiteers made an appearance, then only the other three were able to stop them.

And of those four, none of the other three could stop Lu Yin. This was what everyone was thinking, but unfortunately, Lu Yin had not seemed to come.

Everyone left Pyrolyte Lake and waited for the Wen family to arrive.

Zhanlong Daylight stood up. He had been seriously injured by Ling Que, but he had recovered from his injury very quickly. Many people called him a freak, and even Ling Que raised a brow at how this person's recovery was stronger than his own.

To the north of Pyrolyte Lake, Lu Yin was carrying Hai Qiqi while tightly holding onto Zhuo Daynight as he moved at a great speed. He didn't know where he should go, but he knew that he needed to find a place for them to rest.

He looked down at Zhuo Daynight. The wound between her eyebrows had gradually closed itself, shocking Lu Yin. Could she really be healed? Such a thing was unbelievable as she had received a fatal injury.

Hai Qiqi exclaimed, "She's not dead?"

Lu Yin looked in front of them. With his current speed, not even Ling Que could catch up to them. He had been fleeing for half a day already, so they should be far away from Pyrolyte Lake by now.

It would have taken them several days to traverse such a distance if he hadn't used his top speed. Or to put it more simply, if he had headed northeast from Pyrolyte Lake instead of north, then he would have been drawing quite close to Pyrolyte Mountain by now.

"Hey, this place looks really familiar," Hai Qiqi blurted out in a surprised tone.

Lu Yin looked at the mountain range ahead of them, and his eyes flashed. This mountain range was where the two of them had first landed in the middle of a bunch of cultivators fighting. In the end, Lu Yin had taken control of the location and had given it over to the group from Northline Flowzone. He didn't think that they would have inadvertently circled back to this place, but he soon realized that this place, Pyrolyte Mountain, and Pyrolyte Lake formed a large triangle.

Without giving the matter too much thought, Lu Yin suddenly felt that Zhuo Daynight, who was still in his arms, had become a little strange. When he had first started carrying her, Zhuo Daynight had given him a rather immaterial feeling, as if her body was empty and actually an illusion. It had felt like he wasn't holding her at all, but she had definitely been in his arms the entire time.

Lu Yin and Hai Qiqi touched down on the mountain range. Northgate Gang and the others shot suspicious looks towards Lu Yin as he blasted a hole in the ground and continued moving deeper underground. When he felt it was suitable, he hurriedly set Zhuo Daynight down and looked at her in surprise. At that moment, he noticed that Zhuo Daynight's hair color had changed. It was now completely silver, and her entire body was shrouded in white light.

The white light seemed gentle, but it also felt ancient, and it was constantly changing. There was a sense of immemorial time spanning endless ages.

What's happening? Is this the true effects of that white fruit? Wasn't it supposed to just heal?

Hai Qiqiqi also looked at Zhuo Daynight in surprise, her face full of confusion.

"Seventh Bro, she's glowing," the Ghost Monkey murmured.

Lu Yin pulled Hai Qiqi out of the cave that he had made. "Go and play by yourself for now, but you're not allowed to leave this mountain range."

Hai Qiqi was dissatisfied, but she did not kick up any further fuss with Lu Yin. She had realized that Lu Yin was in a bad mood and already guessed that the woman he had rescued might be someone he liked. Thus, she didn't make a scene.

Zhuo Daynight's situation could only be left to fate. Meanwhile, Lu Yin looked at the burrow and muttered, "If you die, I will have that bitch, Nightqueen Yanqing, join you."

This mountain range was occupied by people from Northline Flowzone, so no outsiders showed up, and Northgate Gang and the others did not disturb Lu Yin either.

Hai Qiqi wandered about the mountain range for a while before returning with a bitter look on her face. Planet Pyrolye's geology was unusual, and the planet was especially dry. There weren't any animals or plants at this location. In fact, it couldn't even be considered a mountain range as it was more of a mound. There was nothing special about this place at all.

She wanted to leave, but if Lu Yin didn't agree, then she would be stuck here.

There were times when Lu Yin felt curious about what the Sea King had said to Hai Qiqi that made her not leave on her own.

It didn't take long for Pyrolyte Lake to be occupied by the Wen family. Before Ling Que arrived at Pyrolyte Lake, Wen Qian'er and the others had been playing hide-and-seek with the Daynight clan. One was the seeker while the other did their best to hide. They had only been able to move to Pyrolyte Lake after Ling Que defeated the Daynight clan.

Wen Qian'er felt very sorry for Ling Que, as the rest of them weren't strong at all. However, Ling Que didn't care. His thoughts were solely focused on that person who had stopped his Que's Mighty Slash with a single hand. Had that really been because of an innate gift?

Looking to the north, Ling Que really wanted to go find that person. However he didn't know where that person had fled to, and that mysterious person had moved so fast that he likely wouldn't be able to catch up anyways.

The thought that someone could stop his Que's Mighty Slash made Ling Que feel uneasy. He suddenly thought of Lu Yin, but it surely couldn't be him! He shook his head. Probably not. Lu Yin had never revealed his innate gift, and Ling Que had asked around about Lu Yin but never heard about him possessing an innate gift that could stop his Que's Mighty Slash. As for Lu Yin's physical strength, Ling Que shook his head. Just physical strength alone shouldn't be able to accomplish such a feat.

He knew very well the power of his Que's Mighty Slash. Lu Yin could avoid or block it, but it was impossible for him to catch it with just two fingers. If Lu Yin could do something like that, then he wouldn't have fought so hard against Mu Rong, and that person wouldn't have been hurt by his Que's Mighty Slash while escaping.

Suddenly, Ling Que thought of the last moment during Lu Yin's fight with Mu Rong. When the shepherd boy's song had rang out, Ling Que had been too far away from the two combatants to fully experience the enormous physical power that Lu Yin had unleashed, and he only knew that it had been terrifying. If he had used that strength, then could he have stopped his Que's Mighty Slash? Ling Que didn't know what to think.

Right now, he wanted to go find Mu Rong so that he could figure out if Lu Yin's full strength would be able to catch his Que's Mighty Slash. If he could indeed do such a feat, then that person was absolutely Lu Yin, and the bit where he had been injured by Que's Mighty Slash must have been nothing more than an act. Otherwise, it would imply that some strange powerhouse had just appeared on Planet Pyrolyte.

Atop the mountain range, Lu Yin had stayed near the burrow for several days now. During these few days, the cultivators of Northbound Flowzone had discovered something strange: whenever they closed their eyes to rest, all they saw was a vast expanse of white.

The predominant color of Planet Pyrolyte was a dark, dusky red, and there was no white anywhere. However, every time they rested, without fail, they now saw an infinite whiteness, which was extremely strange.

Hai Qiqi also saw the whiteness, and she became so nervous that she approached Lu Yin.

Actually, Lu Yin had also experienced this phenomenon. Not only had he seen it, he even knew what was causing it. This white light was the exact same white light currently covering Zhuo Daynight's body.

He stared at the burrow in amazement. What was happening to Zhuo Daynight that was able to affect everyone around her?

"Monkey, you really don't know?" Lu Yin asked.

The Ghost Monkey felt helpless. "Seventh Bro, I'm just a Limiteer who's been cultivating for a bit more than twenty years. How can I know everything? Even if you ask an Enlighter powerhouse, they might not be able to explain this phenomenon."

Two days had passed, but Zhuo Daynight was still radiating white light from inside the cave. The wound she had received on her forehead from the Que's Mighty Slash had healed, but a vertical scar remained. It wasn't overly conspicuous, but anyone could see it. Her now silvery-grey hair fluttered, giving her a gentle aura.

Over the past two days, not only had everyone seen white when they closed their eyes, but sometimes, they also still saw white even when their eyes opened. This change had made Northgate Gang and the others panic, as they felt like they were being targeted. Northgate Gang deliberately went to find Lu Yin and wanted to look around the cave, but Lu Yin merely feigned confusion.

Finally, after three days, the white light disappeared for everyone. They all felt relieved, but the three strange days had left them all rather haggard. Even Hai Qiqi looked pale.

In the cave, the white light had disappeared from around Zhuo Daynight's body. Her silvery-grey hair had also returned to its former black and white appearance. In fact, everything about her had returned to her former appearance.

Lu Yin walked into the burrow and stared at Zhuo Daynight. He squatted down and studied her carefully. She was breathing, and she was clearly alive.

Zhuo Daynight suddenly opened her eyes and stared back at Lu Yin. Her eyes were filled with surprise and confusion, but then, they finally changed into a grateful and complicated expression. "Thank you."

"You're welcome," Lu Yin replied.

"Why did you come to Planet Pyrolyte?" Zhuo Daynight straightened herself as her eyes turned dull. She looked at Lu Yin without any of the joy that one would expect to see from someone who had just come back to life.

Lu Yin raised his brows. "You know who I am?"

Zhuo Daynight looked at him. "Should I not know?"

"How do you know?" Lu Yin was surprised, as he had obviously disguised himself quite well.

Zhuo Daynight did not respond, and she instead silently touched the scar on her forehead.

Lu Yin thought that she was concerned about her appearance, so he comforted her. "Don't worry. This sort of scar can be easily removed."

Zhuo Daynight quietly said, "There's no need to get rid of it. I'll keep it."

Lu Yin didn't say anything else and stood up. He stretched out a hand towards Zhuo Daynight, who didn't hesitate to reach up, grab his right hand, and let him help her up.

"I thought that I was dead for sure. Just what did you feed me?" Zhuo Daynight asked curiously.

Lu Yin shrugged. "It was a strange fruit that I received after a lockbreaking session. One of my mentors told me that it was filled with vital energy, so I tried it on you. Honestly, I didn't expect it to save you."

Zhuo Daynight looked at Lu Yin with a complicated expression. "Why did you save me?"

Lu Yin was startled. Right, why had he saved her? He didn't know himself. All he knew was that when he had seen Zhuo Daynight fall into a critical situation on that video, he had felt an irresistible impulse to come. He had come to Planet Pyrolyte for Zhuo Daynight's sake and also to find Zhanlong Daynight and figure out what was happening on Shenwu Continent. No, his primary motivation concerning Shenwu Continent was Ming Yan. How strange—why is it all because of women?

When she saw that Lu Yin did not answer her, Zhuo Daynight hung her head. "I owe you a life as well an incredible favor."

Lu Yin was puzzled. "A favor?"

Zhuo Daynight looked at Lu Yin earnestly with a strange expression in her eyes. "I comprehended a battle technique at the moment of life and death."

Lu Yin's eyes brightened. "Is it related to your hair color?"

Zhuo Daynight looked at her long black and white hair and nodded. "The name of the battle technique is Night's End, Daybreak."

Lu Yin was puzzled, but the Ghost Monkey suddenly shouted out, "Night's End, Daybreak! Isn't that a battle technique that shocked everyone in the ancient era?"

Lu Yin was surprised; it was a technique that shocked an era?

"Night's End, Daybreak is a battle technique that's a part of the Daynight clan's Dayking inheritance. It's a pity that after the first Dayking died, no one else was able to comprehend it. I didn't expect to end up learning it at the moment of my death," Zhuo Daynight said.

Chapter 500: A Legendary Battle Technique

"This has to be it, Seventh Bro! Night's End, Daybreak is a battle technique that belongs to the Daynight clan, and it's considered a top-grade battle technique that's been passed down through many

generations. I once saw it in the journal of an ancient powerhouse. Apparently, it governed an entire era. During that time, everything lost its color, and even space turned white!" the Ghost Monkey shrieked in disbelief.

The Ghost Monkey's words shocked Lu Yin, as his description seemed a bit excessive!

"So are you saying that you're the only person in the Daynight clan who's comprehended Night's End, Daybreak?" Lu Yin asked while staring at Zhuo Daynight.

She nodded. "Yes, I'm the only one."

"This was passed down by the Dayking clan, so your Sealed Cage Technique...?" Lu Yin hesitated.

Zhuo Daynight looked at him in shock. "You know about that?"

Lu Yin nodded.

Zhuo Daynight said, "I can undo that technique at any moment right now. The Nightking bloodline has no ability to enslave the inheritor of Night's End, Daybreak."

"Let me experience it," Lu Yin said excitedly. The monkey's words had made him very eager.

Zhuo Daynight lifted her hands and closed her eyes. Over her palm, a gentle, white light flickered. After some time, she lowered her hands back down. "I'm sorry, but I can't use it as I please quite yet."

Lu Yin nodded and did not pressure her.

"But I can still try to let you experience it." Zhuo Daynight gazed at him and briefly waved her hand about her. Lu Yin felt as if everything had turned white right before his eyes, and it felt as if he was in a dream, but it also felt as if he'd fallen into some kind of bottomless, white abyss.

An instant later, he sobered up while droplets of sweat beaded up on his forehead as he looked at Zhuo Daynight in awe. In that moment, he'd thought that he'd be trapped in that white space forever. Was that the fabled Night's End, Daybreak battle technique? Was it an illusion? He'd been forcibly drawn into the illusion and had not been able to fight back at all.

In front of him, Zhuo Daynight's face was ashen, but she stared straight back at him, shocked.

Night's End, Daybreak was not effective on everyone. The stronger one's spiritual force was, the more difficult it would be to draw them into illusions. The moment she dragged Lu Yin into an illusion, she had found herself unable to keep it going because his spiritual force was far too powerful. Thankfully, she'd undone the technique quickly, or else Lu Yin's strength would have caused her technique to rebound and injure her again.

Both of them were shocked at how strong the other had become.

"So this is the Night's End, Daybreak battle technique? It's amazing!" Lu Yin said in awe. That white abyss was something that left him feeling fearful even now.

Zhuo Daynight coughed twice and used the wall to prop herself up.

Lu Yin told her, "Get some rest."

Zhuo Daynight nodded and sat down again.

Lu Yin left the cave and found Hai Qiqi kicking some stones out of boredom.

Lu Yin walked to another location and looked down at his right arm. "Could you sense it? The Night's End, Daybreak?"

The monkey grimly responded, "Yup. Nobody can get out of that. There's no counter to that attack, bro."

Lu Yin furrowed his brows. It was quite a surprise that Zhuo Daynight had managed to comprehend such a battle technique. The Daynight clan's battle techniques were all able to attack one's spiritual force, and this technique was particularly horrifying. This didn't cause injury, but rather immersion. It was terrifying.

"Still, you don't need to worry. That girl obviously couldn't handle the stress of pulling you into the illusion. The gap between the two of you in terms of power is much too large. As long as you maintain this difference in strength, her attack won't be able to have an effect on you."

"If it wasn't her, but rather Nightqueen Yanqing or perhaps even Zhanlong Daynight using that technique, I'd be in trouble," Lu Yin replied.

The monkey fell silent. It wouldn't just be about being in trouble. It would mean that Lu Yin would lose. A legendary battle technique that had been able to rule over an entire era wasn't something that could be dealt with so easily.

Of course, there was something else that Lu Yin wasn't going to mention; he had the Stonewall Scriptures. In the event that he was about to be drawn into an illusion, all he needed to do was recite the scriptures, and he would most likely be able to resist it. He'd already experienced how amazing the Stonewall Scriptures were. Right... He filled his eyes with star energy and looked at the cave.

At that moment, he saw the number of rune lines that Zhuo Daynight possessed. She wasn't much weaker than Zhanlong Daynight now. She wasn't only using this time to recover, but also to practice the Night's End, Daybreak technique.

All she'd done so far was comprehend a battle technique, but she already had a strength that rivaled Zhanlong Daynight's. It truly was a legendary battle technique.

"There's something that I need to remind you of, Seventh Bro. She's from the Daynight clan, and you definitely don't have a good relationship with them," the monkey commented.

Lu Yin's eyes twinkled as he grinned. "You're wrong. She's not just from the Daynight clan but also a part of the Dayking bloodline."

"What are you getting at?" the monkey asked.

Lu Yin haphazardly answered, "Nothing."

As Zhuo Daynight recuperated, Lu Yin spent the days talking with her while also dealing with Hai Qiqi's nonsense. The girl had become incredibly bored and had even felt an urge to destroy the mountains.

Northgate Gang was also dealing with his own massive headache. He'd realized that Hai Qiqi held something against him, and she would occasionally go find and mock him for absolutely no reason. Actually, that was the only form of entertainment that Hai Qiqi could find on the mountain. With no other choice, Northgate Gang simply escaped. He'd rather go somewhere dangerous than to be in close proximity to this girl.

Lu Yin and the other powerhouses had gone quiet, and the various organizations had all found places where they could mine pyrolyte. There were many spacecraft flying back and forth between space on a daily basis, either transporting ore or cultivators. Either way, Planet Pyrolyte was a treasure trove within a hard shell.

After a few days' rest, Zhuo Daynight seemed to be doing much better. The ultra-effective medication from Shamrock Enterprises were incredibly effective, and Lu Yin had bought a whole bunch of them. He'd acquired them while using the Sea King's medal.

After she finished healing, Zhuo Daynight planned to go back to her clan.

"You're not going to reveal that you've comprehended the Night's End, Daybreak, are you?" Lu Yin asked.

She shook her head. "Of course not."

"That's a good idea. The moment you expose that, you'll probably be killed by the Nightking bloodline," Lu Yin mentioned.

She gave him an odd look. "You know a lot about the Daynight clan. Why is that?"

Lu Yin casually answered, "I was just curious. The moment I heard about the Sealed Cage Technique, I started to get curious. I was surprised that the Nightking bloodline could be so cruel."

Zhuo Daynight's expression turned sorrowful as she remained silent.

"How many people are left from the Dayking bloodline?" Lu Yin asked.

Zhuo Daynight said, "I don't know. Nobody's been keeping track."

Lu Yin's eyes lit up. "Is that because they each have their own... masters?"

Zhuo Daynight trembled and fell quiet.

"If you hope for the Dayking bloodline to regain its freedom in the future, the Night's End, Daybreak technique could well be your only hope. If I'm not wrong, grey hair is a symbol of the Nightkings whereas the symbol of the Daykings is silver hair," Lu Yin said.

Zhuo Daynight eyed him with a cautious expression. "You've been thinking too much about the Daynight clan. I'm thankful to you for saving my life, but you'd better not touch the clan. We have countless cards up our sleeve that you can't even fathom."

Lu Yin burst into laughter. "The Daynight clan has nothing to do with me. I'm just worried about you since I don't want the efforts that I put forth into saving you to go to waste."

Zhuo Daynight looked away from him and towards the cave's entrance. "I'm leaving. Take care."

"How are you going to explain why I saved you?"

Zhuo Daynight frowned. She'd considered this before, but she had not come up with an answer yet.

Lu Yin reached out, took a sourcebox from his cosmic ring, and tossed it to her. "I'm a Lockbreaker, and I saved you because you have two harmless, Perceptive Intermediate sourceboxes that I wanted. You gave one to me in return for my help. As for your injuries, the Que's Mighty Slash only grazed you, and it didn't manage to penetrate your skull."

Zhuo Daynight looked at the sourcebox and whispered, "Thanks."

Lu Yin had two harmless Perceptive Intermediate sourceboxes on him. One had been a prize from the Astral Combat Tournament supplied by the Nalan family while he had bought the other one from an auction house at the Sea King's Dome. He was giving Zhuo Daynight the one that he had bought as an excuse to see her in the future as she would definitely return it to him at some point.

A harmless sourcebox that was suitable for Perceptive Intermediate Lockbreakers was, for any Lockbreaker, very tempting, especially for those who were at about that level. Saving someone in order to obtain such a sourcebox didn't seem like a bad excuse.

It was impossible to estimate the value of a sourcebox on just its looks, and who knew, an ordinary sourcebox might contain a treasure that shocked the universe. Nobody could know for sure. It made sense for Lockbreakers to do crazy things to obtain these kinds of sourceboxes.

"This can probably make up for the Lockbreaking attempt that I promised you before, right?" Lu Yin asked.

Zhuo Daynight immediately threw the sourcebox back to him and left.

Lu Yin hesitated. "This sourcebox is very valuable. Are you saying that it's not enough to make up for our previous agreement?"

Zhuo Daynight seriously answered, "You saving me combined with the favor that I owed you before more than make up for what you promised me. However, unless I'm dead, I won't use that promise. It's become a symbol of hope for me."

Lu Yin pursed his lips and threw the sourcebox back to her. "Take it. The promise still stands."

Zhuo Daynight's eyes flashed, and she offered her thanks once more before leaving the mountains.

Hai Qiqi stood outside the cave and watched as the other woman left. She then looked at Lu Yin as he came out with a snickering expression. "You've got balls, man. How dare you spend time with a mistress when your wife is right in front of you?!"

Lu Yin rolled his eyes. "Shut up. I don't see my wife anywhere."

Hai Qiqi pointed at herself proudly. "I'm your wife! Now let me go out and play, or else I'll tell my father that you're abusing me, that you have mistresses, and that you're drinking and gambling. I'll make you sound like the worst guy ever!"

Lu Yin was speechless. "Don't do that! I don't even have any real relationship with you. And besides, I've got a reputation to maintain."

"What are you implying? Are you saying that I'm not good enough for you?"

"I can't lie."

"You! How dare you!"

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With Zhuo Daynight's current strength, she would definitely be able to take care of herself, so Lu Yin no longer needed to worry about her anymore. The next step was for him to find Zhanlong Daynight and ask him about what had happened on Shenwu Continent.

Up in the sky, spacecraft kept forming words to guide the cultivators around the planet. After the Wen clan had started it, everyone had seemed to take to the idea, and all sorts of strange messages had started appearing. One organization had even created a gigantic detection machine that they were hoping to use to scan the entire planet. Clearly, that hadn't worked out.

Before much more time passed, another gigantic reserve of pyrolyte ore was found to the northeast of the mountains where Northline Flowzone was based. It was probably going to be taken over by the Daynight clan.

Northgate Gang returned, and he looked serious. He went straight to Lu Yin and told him something terrible. A lot of organizations were forcing older Explorers to lower their power levels in order to obtain more pyrolyte.

Lu Yin turned serious as well. The major organizations had no lack of Explorers. The moment such people lowered their power levels, they'd become Limiteers, but their battle power would generally still be higher than a Limiteers'. These groups were truly going all out. It seemed that there was much more pyrolyte ore on this planet than had originally been anticipated.